

IN THE FIGHT FOR FREEDOM

Doings of those serving their country on land, on the sea, and in the air.

Contributions welcomed for this column—Phone 780.

P.O. Clair D. Smith, of the R.C.A.F., Trenton, has been spending a leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Smith, Queensville.

Pte. Leslie Rowland, who is in Holland, wired a bouquet of pink roses and yellow 'mums' to his wife and son, Melvin, which they received on Christmas Day.

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Pte. Gordon Rowland returned home on Christmas leave after he had over the flowers.

Sloker 1/C Hugh Haim, H.M. C.S. Husky, Cornwallis, N.S., spent New Year's leave with his mother, Mrs. Archie Haim.

E. L. Vollum, supervisor of K. of C. army huts, Petawawa, spent the weekend with Mrs. Vollum and Mrs. Vollum's mother, Mrs. Irene Duncan.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Broughton received a cable from their son, Cpl. M. L. Broughton, who is overseas, on New Year's Eve, wishing them a Happy New Year.

Word has been received from Pte. Aubrey Marshall in England.

Mrs. Geo. Myers received flowers on Christmas Day from her sons, Cpl. Percy Myers and Pte. George Myers, both serving with the Canadian army in Holland.

Sgt. and Mrs. Howard Hugo have received word from Sgt. Hugo's brother, Pte. Kester Hugo, who is overseas.

Spr. Aubrey Patterson, Peterborough, who has recently returned from overseas, spent New Year's with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Patterson.

LAC Don McBride, R.C.A.F., Deseronto, spent New Year's weekend with his mother, Mrs. J. A. McBride.

Sgt. Alex. Mathewson, R.C.A.F., Camp Borden, is spending a leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Mathewson.

LAC Harry Peppiatt, Kingston, spent the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Peppiatt.

No. 23 Bows To Navy 5-4, In Opening Service Game

A twin bill ushered in the newly-formed inter-service hockey league at Ravina Gardens Dec. 19, with No. 23 ending up on the short end of a thrilling 5-4 heartbreaker.

The Navy Bulldogs from H.M.C.S. York played the role of villains in this engagement. In the opener, Toronto R.C.A.F. laced the M.D. 2 representatives, 7-3, to set back both army squads in their first starts.

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"In the past few months I've received quite a number of different brands of Canadian cigarettes from your organization and once more extend my thanks and many of the boys," who thoroughly enjoyed them," Sgt. E. V. Thompson writes in a letter of appreciation to the Newmarket Veterans' Soldiers' Comforts fund. "As news continues to be good and our armies continue to be on the offensive on all our fighting fronts, the morale of all has been boosted to great heights and with it the exciting mad racing thoughts that pass through each and everyone's mind of the thought of returning home in the very near future, of being able to enjoy life once more with our loved ones and friends and to have the opportunity of visiting and thanking our friends, the Vets, and other organizations of their kind for their never ceasing thoughtfulness in supplying the boys away from home with the essential things they require to continue to fight and be once more victors in the cause of the freedom we have always known and will continue to know.

"The boys as well as fighting a war are also thinking and talking a great deal about the new government rehabilitation plan that has been released recently. They are wondering what their country, Canada, has really been preparing for their future as men and women who will through time be the backbone of Canada. They ask daily, what is the government going to do for us? Is it going to live up to its plans as laid down in this new rehabilitation

grant? Are we going to find jobs? Or are we going to be left to scratch for ourselves?

"These are some of the things that every soldier, both male and female, thinks about. They continue to fight a war on the front and also fight a little war in their own minds. They only ask a chance to prove themselves when this great episode is over and through with. They also know and without doubt in any of their minds, that the Vets are behind them. This has been proven many, many times. You can pick up any paper at any time and you will always find where the Vets in one or many of the communities throughout Canada have been once more fighting for something that is going to be an asset to the soldiers on their return to Canada and their homes.

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COMING EVENTS

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Wednesday, Jan. 10—Euchre in Rainbow Gardens, Keswick, at 8 p.m., under the auspices of the Elmhurst Women's Institute. Proceeds towards the fund of the new wing of York County hospital. Lunch. Good prizes. c1w49

Friday, Jan. 12—Doughnut sale, under auspices of St. Andrew's W.A. to be held in the market. Newmarket. c1w49

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Dancing at Middlebrook's air-conditioned dance hall at Armistage every Wednesday evening to Ken Rose and his orchestra. c1w49

NOTED CAMP DIRECTOR



Rev. Douglas G. Davis has been camp director at Camp Ashunyoong for the seasons from 1934-1941 inclusive and business manager ever since. Mr. Davis is noted for his ability as a leader of youth and this has made him an outstanding figure in this work. A large measure of the high standing of Camp Ashunyoong as an educational force and its success financially has been credited to his contribution. Mr. Davis is a trustee of the camp and is one of the foremost figures in the present campaign to raise \$10,000 to establish a permanent camp site for Camp Ashunyoong at Duclos Point.

Recently, the camp, which is operated by the North York Boys' Work Board as part of the board's efforts in promoting youth work in churches, has had to be moved to Duclos Point because of the expiration of its lease. Contributions towards establishing the permanent camp site are now being sought. Contributions are accepted by H. E. Lambert, manager of the Bank of Toronto, or Rev. Henry Cotton, Trinity United church.

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Dominion Stores	5.00
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Harold Patterson	2.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$357.00</b>

MRS. HANNAH WATTS IS BURIED IN NEWMARKET

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Although born in Bruce county, Mrs. Watts spent the greater part of her life in the vicinity of Mount Albert, Newmarket and Aurora and in 1937 moved to Brampton.

A religious woman of staunch faith, Mrs. Watts was a member of Grace United church.

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UNDERGOES OPERATION

Bill Ewing, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Ewing, Newmarket, underwent an appendix operation at York County hospital on Sunday morning. His is progressing favorably.

BUS SERVICE RESUMED

Because of snow-plugged roads, Grey Coach Lines had to halt their service north of Newmarket Wednesday. The coaches resumed their schedule today. Officials report Yonge St. clear and service as far north as Barrie today.

Radio reports Tuesday and Wednesday urged motorists to stay off highways "for their own safety." Heavy drifts are reported on the side-roads north of Newmarket. Six-foot drifts were reported about Holland Landing.

RECEIVE DONATIONS

Two donations have been received by the Newmarket Veterans' Association for the association's comfort fund. George Chambe gave \$2; Mrs. M. W. Mosley, \$1.

THEATRE BOOP CLEANED

Morley McPhee, manager of the Strand Theatre, said he had six boys showing snow off the roof of the theatre. He said the snow was a good three feet deep.

CIRCULATION for three months ended Sept. 30

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The market is a sad example of mismanagement. These are the words of Mayor Dales addressing the 1945 council Tuesday night. Between these two statements, a year has elapsed. What has been done?

From time to time, the editor has received complaints from farmers and townfolk on the way the market is run. These complaints fall into several general categories. The farmers object to the treatment they receive at the Newmarket market. One woman told the editor that she no longer went to the town market for that reason. She now goes steadily to the Vanderford market. She showed the editor an invitation sent her by the Vanderford market, thanking her for her interest and asking to come again.

The woman had only praise for the Vanderford market; nothing but scorn for the Newmarket market. There are many others like her.

The townfolk object that the hours advertised are not observed; that the buyers are allowed to so dominate the market that the individual customer receives little attention. Several instances have come to the editor's attention in which the customer's offer for a fowl was ignored by the farmer because of the threat of the buyer that if the farmer sold one fowl to a customer, the buyer would accept none of the remaining fowl.

Some years ago, Newmarket council forbade the buyers from the market until after the doors had been open to the individual customers at least an hour. On more than one occasion in the past two months, the buyers have purchased most of the produce before the market has been officially open.

Last year, the council was asked to "revive the nearly dead rabbit." Apparently, from the repeated abuses of the market and its decreasing business, nothing was done. What about this year?

A market manager is needed. A renovated market building is needed. Strong supervision of buyers is needed. A system of grading is needed. More scales are needed. Farmers should be encouraged to bring their produce, customers should be encouraged to buy. In short, a decaying municipal service needs to be entirely revamped and soon.

There is no reason why Newmarket with its central location and domestic market should not have the finest market in the country. The advantages to the farmers and to the town are obvious. So far nothing has been done towards bringing this about. When will something be done? It is up to the council.

## A NOTE ON THE FUTURE

With the approval of the national labor board, Lever Bros., soap manufacturers, have placed their Toronto plant on a 40-hour week basis. The firm proved to the labor board's satisfaction that by more efficient methods, the output of their usual 42-hour week could be equalled by a 40-hour week. By payment of an "efficiency bonus" of 20 percent, the earnings of the hourly workers remained the same.

In releasing the news, Lever Bros. spokesman said the increased efficiency in production which enabled the 40-hour week was brought about by a joint committee of workers, appointed by the union in the plant, and management representatives.

## 'RED MENACE'

From time to time, there appears in the press a sensational "exposure" of the "Red Menace." Like some divorce cases and unsolved murders the "Red Menace" can be counted upon for good reader appeal. And it is quite true that some of the "exposures" make very entertaining reading. Unfortunately, those who would rather believe in the "Red Menace" than face the facts of an age which is steadily moving towards more social and economic equality, find in each word of the "exposures" further justification of their attitude.

We do not question that there are in Canada some hysterical individuals for whom the party line is on par with the Ten Commandments. We would hesitate to doubt that there are some who live for a Canadian October Revolution; others who would welcome the type of dictatorship contained in the ideology of absolute state control.

However, to accept the words and deeds of these individuals as indicative of the proximity of the "Red Menace" is, in our opinion, unadulterated nonsense.

Like most other ideologies and political systems, Communism flourishes only under a definite set of conditions; where a majority of a nation suffers economic misery while a minority enjoys extreme prosperity. Communism is seeded in mass suffering; it cannot live in any other environment.

So to those for whom the "Red Menace" reads like the ultimate truth, we suggest they might be better off making sure that there will never be the conditions in Canada that proved such fertile soil for Communism in Russia; that rather than promote the difference between the man behind the desk and the hourly-laborer, they try to reach a common ground through greater economic equality.

## THE ANSWER

A figure significant to Canadian post-war planners is that recently released by the dominion government. In the first 11 months of 1944, Canadian exports totalled \$1,173,000,000—80 per-

cent of which was war materials.

With conversion to peacetime production for peacetime markets already begun, the question is: How is Canada going to maintain that export figure or at least the proportion of it which is necessary to ensure prosperity?

Canadian economy for the past five years has been a wartime economy. The manufacture of non-essential products has been discontinued. In its place has been substituted production for war. A different kind of marketing has been introduced. Manufacturers of war goods had no longer to contend with competition nor worry about the eventual saturation of the wartime market. Although the government cut war orders this fall, there has been a sharply increased need since and Canada now produces not only for herself and customers of her lend-lease agencies, but in a large measure for the United States.

Because of this manufacturing prosperity, Canadian standards of living have increased. The country is dollar-prosperous as never before. There is hardly any unemployment. What unemployed there might have been under pre-war conditions have been absorbed many times over by the services.

But this condition is temporary. The war will end, possibly this year. What will happen to Canada's dollar-prosperity when war manufacturing is converted to peacetime manufacturing?

Much of the slack will be taken up by the domestic needs of five years. The rehabilitation of war-ravaged countries will take many years and all the wood and metals and grain that Canada can send abroad. New markets are there for the seeking in China and possibly, Russia. But even these will give out in time. At the present scale of production, a comparatively short time.

Nor will Canada be alone in her search for markets. The other dominions, with war-stimulated production, must also find markets. The United States will provide stiff competition and in somewhat the same lines of goods.

In the past, we have depended on a lower price, better quality, and natural resources to hold markets against competitors. We can no longer depend on these factors. China, for example, when her resources and labor are geared to mass production, will out-produce Canada and at a lower price. Mechanical techniques are becoming every nation's property. Synthetics are negating the value of national resources.

It will be many years after this war before the full effect of these factors will be felt but as they are felt, the whole practice of international trade will be turned upside down. If we continue to place our faith in international competition, we will lose out. With our limited population, with the living standards we demand, we couldn't hope to match some of our competitors.

One answer to this is tariffs and closed trade agreements, power economics in international trade, the natural corollary of which is economic isolation and eventual war. The other answer is, we believe, redistribution of world population and an international agency by which to govern trade. That answer must be provided for the world, not Canada alone.

Through redistribution of world populations to a more equal density, more productive areas could be opened up and home production increased. Domestic markets would be enlarged. There would follow an equalization of living standards among nations; in the past, differences of living standards have contributed much towards war.

Through an international trade agency, the differences between have and have-not nations could be done away with. Prices on which the producer would profit and which the consumer could afford, would be set; each nation's exports could be directed to the areas in which they were most needed. In cases of duplication, as in Argentine and Canadian wheat, the poorer product would be prohibited from foreign markets and the producer encouraged to seek another source of national income.

We have these two suggestions on these facts: production techniques are such as to enable production far beyond our needs; there is no equality among nations in means of production and the competition arising from the discrepancy is a way to war; economic isolation is impossible in a world so interlocked by transportation and trade. It will be many years before these things will come to pass. But there is no other answer.

## In Passing

Councillor Frank Bowser, chairman of the roads and bridges committee, was congratulated by the council on the job he has done on the snow-blocked roads. Rightly so. It is not often realized by the average citizen what handicaps Mr. Bowser must work under. The shortages of trucks, of men, are discouraging. Mr. Bowser has done a good job in spite of these disadvantages.

Canadians made and spent more money in 1944 than ever before, says The Financial Post in a special year round-up summary. In the trade picture, both internal and external, the following highlights stand out: Sales increases are no longer keeping pace with disposable earnings; the prairie provinces and maritimes have forged ahead of the rest of Canada in sales increases. These food-producing provinces have been slower than industrial Ontario and Quebec to reflect full wartime prosperity; automotive equipment sales increased 25 percent over last year, as aging cars required increasing repairs; peacetime shift in exports is already discernible with iron and chemical products giving way to foods, wood and textiles.

Retail store sales this year are estimated to reach a total of \$3.9 billions. This represents an increase of 6.5 percent over last year's total, and an increase of 61 percent over 1939. This means that on the average, every man, woman and child will be spending approximately \$343 in retail stores this year as compared with \$322 last year and \$217 in 1939.

W. H. Sproxtion who farms near Gormley, dropped in the other day to renew his subscription to The Era and Express for another two years. Mr. Sproxtion said that he will have taken the paper for 50 years this spring. It gives us more satisfaction than anything else we can think of when a long-time subscriber like Mr. Sproxtion renews his subscription.

Social note: Many townfolk spent New Year's Day shovelling walks and pushing cars through the wet snow.

# THE COMMON ROUND

By ISABEL INGLIS COLVILLE

## CHRISTMAS CARDS

I wish I had kept some of the Christmas cards of long ago, but when one is a child one thinks things will never change, and in this sense of security and changelessness, finds happiness.

I'm even trying to remember what those cards of past days were like. They were not sent out in the grand manner of today. Instead they were something of a variety.

Memory's kindly hand places one or two before me; a robin, its breast red against the sparkling snow; and another, a little frozen stream between great banks of snow, and before a little log house whose windows throw the yellow light of home over the lonesome landscape. And always a bit of holly and mistletoe to say "It's Christmas!" Today I look at the great piles of beautiful cards which have come from far and near; from the battlefields, from friends in England where the bombs still fall, from old friends and new friends, and all speak their message in words and pictures that bring Christmas into our very hearts.

Like the famous Rosary, you can "count them over, every one apart," and feel yourself rich in their possession. There are those that show the Blessed Babe in His mother's arms, and maybe some snowy innocent lambs nearby, while above "the angels keep their watch of wonderful love." There are those that show the little town of Bethlehem, lying so still beneath the silent stars; only one feels that those stars are only silent to our dull earthly ears, that in reality they are singing together.

There is the radiant star that led the Magi and below it, the three wise men, travelling in perfect surety that it will lead them to the King.

There are those with the shepherds hastening to Bethlehem, leading their flocks, in the sure faith that as they, the shepherds, have been advised of the holy birth, so the flocks will be heaven guided as they go to see whereof they are told.

Then there are the cards in

keeping with the spirit of home enkindled by the Holy Family—the fireside with its circle of friendly faces, its Christmas tree with ornaments aglow in the firelight; then one with the mother seated at spinet or piano while the family is grouped about singing the carols that never grow old, that indeed seem to gather richness and sweetness through the years.

Then there are cards that embody the joyousness, the friendly gatherings and the innocent fun that lives more vividly than ever at Christmas. The sleighs and coaches with their prancing horses, the sleigh bells of our own "lady of the snows," horns of old England, and sleighs and coach filled to capacity with friends seeking friends.

The carol singers, muffled against the cold, sing the immortal story of the Virgin Birth. These are always lovely whether they be choristers from cathedral choirs or members of some humble village choir—their message is the same and the messengers should be received with warm welcome and warm drink. There is nothing that gives one such an appetite as singing carols under the Christmas stars.

And no collection of Christmas cards is complete without some of St. Nicholas and his eight tiny reindeer. I can never understand why people object to Santa Claus—he is the Christmas spirit, the spirit of giving in a form suited to the small child and those bigger children who never lose faith in him. Ask me on Christmas Eve if I believe in Santa Claus and, like the old story of The Lady on the Tiger, I will let you who read guess my answer.

Christmas cards carry messages of love and hope, of home and cheer, of simple faith and love for humanity from the babe in arms to those whose silver heads already catch the light of eternity, and how can I better end this article—written by request—than with Tiny Tim's immortal words "God bless us, everyone."

## 25 YEARS AGO

From The Era and Express files, Jan. 2, 1920.

Related Christmas mail was still coming into Newmarket post office on Wednesday.

Egg prices dropped 10 cents a dozen at the local market on Saturday. Fresh eggs sold from 24 cents to 30 cents a dozen. The market was small in comparison to last week. The usual produce was offered for sale.

The town council has been elected by acclamation. W. H. Eves is mayor, Wm. Keith, reeve, and P. W. Pearson, deputy-reeve. The councillors are W. Osborne, F. A. Lundy, J. E. Nesbitt, H. B. Marshall, Howard Cane and John McCaffrey.

An election will be held to elect four public school trustees of the six nominated. Voting will be held on the by-law to renew the electric power contract. Mr. Chas. Wrightman and family have moved to Newmarket from Kettleby.

In Washington, four girl workers bought a live turkey for Christmas. When they got it home they "hadn't heart to kill it." The girls used some chloroform and put the turkey to sleep, expecting it to die. They plucked the bird and then tucked it into a clothes press until cooking time. When they opened the door Christmas morning the turkey walked out, minus its feathers. (The janitor found an axe.)

A complimentary banquet for Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King is being held in the town hall on Tuesday. The banquet is sponsored by the Liberal party of North York.

The Epworth League of the Methodist church treated a number of their friends to a skating party at the rink on Monday evening. The Newmarket Brass band was in attendance.

Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Ross spent Christmas with their daughter at Picton.

Schools re-open on Monday morning and the Industrial classes on Monday evening.

Tuscan Lodge celebrated St. John's night by a social evening on Monday.

Eight sacks of registered parcels arrived at the post office Christmas morning.

The Misses Forsythe's house on Prospect St. has been sold to Samuel Grainger.

## 50 YEARS AGO

From The Era and Express files, Jan. 4, 1895.

Though there was a good crowd in town last Saturday the streets were quiet compared with the Saturday previous. The farmers who held their poultry over were benefited by higher prices. Turkeys went up to 11 cents a pound, geese brought six cents and geese cents a pound. Butter was from 15 cents to 17 cents a pound, fresh eggs 20 cents a dozen, lard nine cents and 10 cents a pound, pork 45 per hundredweight and live chickens from 35 cents to 50 cents per pair.

The water main on Niagara St. sprung a leak which required

the attention of Engineer Warren last week.

Last Friday morning the mercury dropped to ten below.

Another step in the march of postal freedom has been taken by the government. With the New Year, the use of the private post card will be legal in Canada. Any ordinary card may be sent through the mails as well as the regulation official post card if a one cent stamp is attached.

Mayor Robertson entertained the council and a number of guests at a social dinner at the Royal Hotel on Friday evening. Alexander Muir, B.A., Toronto, attended the funeral in town of his granddaughter, Vera Muir, on Monday.

Mr. Ed. Cane and family spent New Year's day at Bradford, the guests of Mr. St. Lukes.

A nomination meeting was held in the town hall on Monday evening. E. Jackson and T. J. Robertson were nominated for mayor. H. S. Cane was acclaimed reeve and T. J. Woodcock, deputy-reeve. There were 18 nominees for council and four for school trustees.

E. Jackson did not qualify as candidate for mayor. A number of the nominees for council and school trustees did not qualify, leaving just enough members for both. By this means there will be no election. This is quite a change for Newmarket.

The 1894 Aurora council was acclaimed to office for 1895. The public schools in Toronto will remain closed until Monday on account of the prevalence of diphtheria.

There is a new grocer located at the north end of the town.

## WIT AND HUMOR

HEY, THAT MAN'S IN AGAIN  
"A football's a beautiful thing, isn't it?"  
"Yes, and practical to boot."

### HIS SPECIALTY

Auntie—"But what has your boy friend's army career got to do with him staring at every pretty girl he sees?"  
Niece—"Oh, he's in the observation corps."

### CANDID COMMENTS

You may be a fine, upstanding citizen, but that makes no difference to a banana peel.  
The man who is a good listener not only is popular, but after a while he learns something.

### THE LOST BALL

Scott: "Are you a good caddie?"  
Caddie: "Yes, sir."  
Scott: "A real good caddie?"  
Caddie: "Yes, sir."  
Scott: "Are you good at finding lost balls?"  
Caddie: "That's me forte, sir."  
Scott: "Well, then, go and find one so we can begin the game."

### BEST WISHES, OLD MAN!

"Oh dear, tomorrow is Tom's birthday and I don't know what to give him. He doesn't smoke, or drink, or play cards, or—"  
"That's simple. Give him a hot-water bottle!"

### SUBSTITUTE

Customer—"Is this a genuine fox fur neckpiece?"  
Saleslady—"Well, no, madam, it isn't, but it's just as good. It's a fox-smile."

# SOME FAMOUS CURES

By ORVILLE GANTON

A gang of us young shavers used the home of a kindly old Irish woman as a rendezvous for smoking. In those days our preference in smoking mixtures ran to cedar bark, corn tassel, elm root or whatever the seasons and weatherman made convenient for burning.

Mrs. Finnigan, an indulgent hostess, always joined us in an after-dinner "drag" with her old black clay, primed with real heman Irish twist; no ersatz tobacco for her. When we all got fogging, great bellows of smoke poured through the windows and doors. The old lady swore it was only a miracle that saved her from the neighbors ringing in the fire alarm.

When she had carefully knocked the ashes from her precious old pipe, she invariably gave us a lecture on the evils and dangers of smoking. Occasionally some new member of the gang would chide her for her hypocrisy. This never failed to raise the old girl's blood pressure. First she would try to assume an expression of innocence and saintliness, but her Irish "tinker" always got the better of her; then she would roar "I'll hev ye pinatirently devils understan I only smoke for my asthma."

I knew an asthmatic old gentleman who had a very simple remedy for his condition. Before retiring he drank two quarts of ice-cold water, followed by a big swig of coal-oil right from the can. In the morning, if some member of the household kindly enquired about his health, through wheezes and rattles he stoutly maintained, "My chest is as clear as a bell."

Swivel chair ladies, who constantly worry about their waistline, would probably have received the same advice from the great Voltaire as they are now getting from Madame Rollitoff. The old French philosopher, who only survived his first few days on earth by the nurse applying drops of brandy down his tiny throat, was a semi-invalid for 70 odd years. He insisted good health depended on two things, exercise and temperance. Of course, he meant to be temperate in eating too.

Sairy Gamp, practical nurse of Dickens fame, did not believe in her patients over-eating either. Miss Gamp devised a very unique technique to restrain her patients from over-indulgence. After she had prepared them the choicest victuals and rarest delicacies with trimmings fit for a king, she sat down and devoured the whole banquet herself. And Sairy lived to a ripe old age, according to Dickens.

People who rely on medicines should study this partial list of treatments given King Charles II as recorded by Dr. Scarborough, one of the 14 attending physicians: "As a first step the king was bled of a pint from his right arm. Next his shoulder was cut and 'cupped' to take out an additional eight ounces of blood. This was followed by an enema containing antimony, sacred bitters, rock salt, mallow leaves, violets, beet root, camomile flowers, fennel seed, saphron, cochineal and alves. The cathartics were interspersed with a soothing drink of barley water, licorice and sweet almond. For external treatment a plaster of Burgundy pitch and pigeon dung was applied to the king's feet. The bleeding and purging continued and to the medicines were added, melon seeds, manna, slippery elm, black cherry water, flowers of lime, lily of the valley, peony, lavender and dissolved pearls."

Needless to say poor Charles failed to recover from this homicidal onslaught.

## POT POURRI

By GOLDEN GLOW

This is the last day of 1944. What a day! When I looked out of my bedroom window this morning and saw the pearly white opaque fog enshrouding everything I said to myself, "This must be like the light up in Iceland this time of the year," for they have only a few hours of daylight, you know, from Sept. 21 to March 21, and then perpetual daylight—when the sun never sets for a week or so. At midsummer it just dips down beyond the horizon and comes right up again! The land where they start out for picnics at midnight! And here it is after four o'clock in the afternoon and still the fog holds! Yes, I imagine this is like the weather up in Iceland.

We have had a pretty cold week, however, no, with heaps more snow. But this fog certainly is a climax to it. What will 1945 have for us? Here we are, standing on the threshold of a new year and we haven't the faintest idea what to expect! Of course, we know victory will be ours in the end and, oh dear me, what more will we have to suffer before that glad day? We may as well admit it out loud, as think it to ourselves, that this last month has been terrible. Our hopes were so high, much too high, we know now. We really did think it might all be over by Christmas!

You boys were so optimistic in your letters and we naturally wanted to believe it. Was it "whistling in the dark" to keep up our spirits? But soon we shall have regained all we have lost this past

few weeks—see if we don't!

All day the newscasts have said Hitler is to speak at seven o'clock this evening (Sunday). The last time he spoke was after the folks were listening in many a home, no doubt, but since that is the time for evening service at church, some of us will have to hear about it afterwards.

A good many folks are predicting an early spring—they think we are getting our February weather now. I'll admit I won't mind a January thaw, but I hope and trust we get it by degrees, else we'll all float away on the crest of the flood all this unprecedented snowfall will cause.

By the way, what about the earthquake in England, you men and women there? Did you fly to your air-raid shelters too, like so many did, thinking it was more bombing? The threat of New York and Montreal being bombed looms large in many quarters. The awful uncertainty of the progress of this terrible warfare will break all our nerves down if we are not careful. We must keep smiling and cheerful somehow, no matter what the outcome! It is hard—don't we all know it—but we really must not allow ourselves to look on the dark side. May the New Year bring us all our hearts desire and sooner than we dream possible! So let's not borrow trouble! Keep busy! That's the best antidote I know!

Well, I decided to add a bit more to this. It is within an hour of 1945 and we have been listening to Mr. Leonard K. Brockington's Sunday evening talk from Ottawa, telling of his personal observations of activities in the different war fronts in Europe. This evening's talk was a masterly outline of activities of 1944 by sea, land and air. He was marvellous. His talk follows the C.B.I. 10 o'clock newscast every Sunday evening. Oh, by the way, the announcer of the newscast said that Hitler sold the war would not be over before 1946 at the earliest and if it did end before that, it would be in a German victory! He called on his people to rally round and work and fight harder than ever, and promised divine punishment to any who failed and unspeakable things to any who aided the enemy!

Queer how one's mind recalls customs of long ago, and I think I'll just write it down—somebody else may recall this old custom, too. When I was a girl New Year's day was always considered the "gentleman's calling day"—and the women of the family remained at home to welcome their visitors. It was such a pleasant occasion. Small Christmas candles, shortbread and slices of Christmas cake with caraway comfits decorating the white icing on top of the thick almond icing, fragrant cups of coffee and dainty cups of tea or hot spiced cider, or whatever one's fancy suggested. Such a polishing of silver trays and silver services, such getting out all the dainty chinaware! It hardly pays to contrast now is too marked. Well! We'll hope for better luck this year. So I'll end this rambling letter with the best of all good wishes for 1945 and may we be able to say Happy New Year instead of writing it next year at this time. Cheerio and good luck!

## IN THE NORTH WEST

By W. I. McELWAIN  
(Minister in charge of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church)

In the summer of 1943 I spent five months in northern Saskatchewan, 140 miles east of Prince Albert, on a mission field of the Presbyterian church in Canada.

It seems as though every time I mention my stay there, people enquire about the prairie. To most of them the terms "west" and "prairie" are synonymous. The district in which I worked was solid bush, with no furores until 1919, and only about a third cleared in 1943. In my travels to Regina, Saskatoon, Melfort and Prince Albert, I came upon no land that was termed "prairie" by the residents.

The district was really in the pioneer stage, as the people there admitted. Indians still roamed about. One day I encountered two of them driving a wagon drawn by a horse and cow yoked together. Many animals such as bears, wolves, gophers and a great many skunks indicated the early stage of development. Roads were mostly of corduroy construction and in other places, just bush trails with two runs hewn out. Most of the buildings, barns, houses, schools, etc., were built of logs.

My central church, one of five preaching stations, was of log plastered with mud. It had been erected in 1934. The manse was of similar construction, built a year later at a cost of about \$20. It was planned as a stable for the minister's horse, but a few windows and a floor were added to give it its present form. There were a few things such as tractors and radios that mirrored this primitive existence and reminded the outsider that this was the 20th century.

There were two waves of settlers into this district. The first was in 1919 when war veterans came in to start farming the land under the soldiers' settlement act. Most of them had to clear their land in order to find a place for their cabin. To clear it they each had two hands and an axe. Some of them were not used to hard labor; others had absolutely no experience at farming. Some of them brought English wives with their fine linen and silver tea services, quite unprepared for the hard Canadian pioneer life. The hardships must

# GROUCH CORNER

A friend writes: "If you were to tell those who tell me that there is a lot of snow isn't there, while I am stuck in a six-foot drift in front of my doorway that Yes, there is a lot of snow, and I darn well know it, I would very much appreciate it."

"I spent three hours with the snow shovel on New Year's Day and in that time, seven people said my there is a lot of snow isn't there. And while I was shovelling at that."

have been terrific. To feed their stock, hay was hauled from the railway line 20 miles away. On top of all this the veterans had to face a large mortgage; many of them had to give up and leave.

The second group of immigrants came in about 1932. It was made up of folk who had lived on the prairie south of Regina and Moose Jaw, but who were driven north because of drought and the dust storms. Many of them abandoned brick homes and large farm buildings to come to a place where they had to live in log shacks while clearing the land. They brought with them stock and machinery and the district soon advanced rapidly. This progress, however, is still far from widespread. In one corner of my mission field there were farmers owning 160 acres of land with only 10 or 12 acres cleared. Another corner has been open only five years.

There I found land rails being used for stove pipes and tin cans for cups. Few Ontario people realize that there are parts of our fair dominion in this primitive stage of development. Yet just three nights and two days took me by rail from Toronto to that district.

As I have indicated, transportation was not an easy proposition. My field was about 15 miles by 10 miles in area, which meant considerable travelling. For about two months I rode a fast little horse. This was my first experience at riding, which the horse perhaps detected. At any rate she went her own way. After a few dangerous experiences, I purchased a bicycle, which I could use most of the time. On wet days the horse was still needed for the sticky gumbo mud. Gravel was not to be found even on the so-called highways. The team and wagon were widely used, with some of the farmers owning half-ton trucks that served many purposes.

Farming was the chief occupation, of course. The methods used were very modern. Some men that didn't own a good suit of clothes might have a tractor and a good line of modern machinery. There were very few horses. The farmers were quite inexperienced in stock-raising, however. Stock was poorly housed and lacked good pasture and water.

The water supply was one of the chief problems. Water from wells was strongly alkaline in content. Some farmers watered their stock out of old water holes or sloughs and melted ice for use in the home. Others had a large hole scooped out, much like a swimming-pool in appearance, and into it would seep surface water from a large area around it. A purifying system and pump would be on one end.

Communications were poor. Telephones were found only in the villages—one in each. If you wanted to talk to some one, you just had to go and see him. Telegrams always came through the mail. There were two mails each week. The people kept in contact with the outside world chiefly by radio. They are well informed on world affairs and on national political problems. Many of them had travelled a great deal. I believe that a westerner has travelled more than the average native of Ontario.

I found the climate very healthful. The nights were always quite cool, making three or four quilts necessary. The people seem to be very healthy, so that I did not have to pay one sick call all summer. Perhaps it's just as well that way, since the nearest doctor was 65 miles away.

The district will soon be a great agricultural area. The soil is rich, heavy and black and about three times as productive as prairie soil. Even now this district is producing more grain than can be marketed. The people are progressive in outlook and will soon open up the district. There is still lots of room for church work. Nearly all the present effort is carried on by students in the summer only. This is quite insufficient as shown in the slow progress that the church has been making.

It is good for one to live for a time in such a district as this, to broaden one's viewpoint and to appreciate the many things that we of Ontario sometimes take for granted.

## RUNED

Bill—"It sure is terrible about George being married!"  
Tom—"What's so terrible about that?"  
Bill—"Well, he was so easy to borrow money from."

## HELPFUL

Jones was peeved because his wife failed to keep the buttons on his shirt. One day, when he was about to go shopping with her, he remarked:



"I have just received the cigarette you sent me Nov. 31 and wish to thank all the members of your organization as it has been a long time since I have had any good Canadian ones." LAC R. M. Deane writes in a card of appreciation to the Newmarket Veterans' Soldiers' Comforts fund.

"We have been having some good Canadian weather every once in a while. On Sunday we had about two inches of snow. It was wet and the trees looked grand as they were loaded down just like at home and the snow balls were sure flying in every direction."

"Just a few lines to give you my thanks for your wonderful parcel and tobacco which I received today." Pte. G. E. Myers writes the Veterans. "There is not much one can write about from this side, only the war, and that is one thing I don't say much about."

"I read in the town papers that some of the boys say it won't last long. Well, as far as I'm concerned it is lasting long enough and it will probably be next spring before

"The weather is certainly better over here now and if it wasn't for it and the mud you have to plough around, I'd say it would be over soon. I met young Harold Smart and Mosier in Belgium recently and they both look well and happy. I saw the Vimy Memorial from a distance but it sure looked swell in the sun with its two towers gleaming white. I guess I've been through a lot of places that you fellows went through and a lot you didn't."

"Just a line to say I received your parcel of cigarettes and The Newmarket Era and Express from the boys of the Veterans' club." Pte. A. D. N. Parks writes. "Well, I have seen a bit of country over here and it better I would sooner be in Belgium than here (Holland) or France. My brother, Norman, is in this country some place but I haven't seen him as yet."

"We are still sleeping out but have things very comfortable compared to France. We are kept pretty busy. The flying bombs and rockets are really bad over here but let's hope they soon stop them. We never see the front lines but when we go up to build a bridge the mortar fire and snipers are sometimes around. We have had a lot of good times over here and some not so good."

"I got some real snaps over here and sent them home, such as pill boxes blasted to pieces and Frenchmen harrowing with dogs and Vimy Ridge Memorial."

"In appreciation of your parcel and cigarettes I have just received I send you and the remainder of the Veterans my utmost thanks." Sgt. Bruce Andrews writes the Veterans. "I am figuring on going on leave at the end of the month, so your cigarettes are going to come in handy again. I have been receiving the town paper fairly regularly lately and when I see where different organizations and private parties have contributed to your

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cause, it proves again that the people back home are behind us and here. My thanks go to the people as well.

"According to the reports we receive over here they seem to be having quite a time over the so-called zombies. Well, I have my own opinion of course, but according to news from the front, we seem to be getting on with the job."

"I ran into several lads from town around here and we always have a chat about the doings and the good old home town. We always mention the veterans and the good work they are doing."

### HOPE

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Pegg and Grace spent Christmas at Mr. Herbert Pegg's, Mount Albert.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Stickwood, Elton and Ronald, were Christmas dinner guests at Mr. Joshua Stickwood's, Bogartown.

Mr. and Mrs. R. O. Stickwood, Claremont, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Fairbairn and Donny, Sharon, Mr. J. C. Hauser, Toronto, and Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Stickwood were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. O. Stickwood on Christmas Sunday.

Mrs. A. Trivett and Miss Phyllis Pegg, Newmarket, Mrs. J. Davis, Jackie and Gordon, and Mr. and Mrs. O. Stickwood were Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Pegg and family.

Among those who spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. S. Pegg were Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Boyd, Mr. Harold Farr, Mr. Al-Profit, Aurora, and Mrs. Smith, Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. Everton Rolling, Mr. and Mrs. E. Scott, Aurora, Miss Hazel Edwards, Toronto, and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Edwards, Holt, spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Edwards.

Mrs. Bruce Harrison spent Christmas at Mr. Joe Harrison's, Mount Albert.

Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Stickwood were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Fairbairn, Sharon, on Christmas Day.

On the way home from hospital, Miss Margaret Morton spent a few days of last week with her aunt, Mrs. S. Stickwood, owing to the roads being filled.

Mr. and Mrs. Elgin Evans, Sharon, and Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Pottage and family were Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Barker.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Mount spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Reading, Dunbarton.

Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Eves spent Christmas with Mrs. Eves' parents at Orangeville.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Micks, Reta and Carl, were Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. Alf Park, Mount Albert.

Mr. and Mrs. Verne Smith and family were Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ambrose Travis.

Spr. and Mrs. Marsh, Fairbairn and Miss Bertha Fairbairn spent Christmas with Miss Maud Fairbairn and Mr. W. R. Fairbairn.

Mrs. Lillie Dunn, New Ontario, is visiting her mother, Mrs. Arnold.

Among those who spent Christmas with the Dike's were Mr. Howard Dike, Miss Annie Dike, Mr. and Mrs. Harry West, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Dike and Bill, Delbert Dike, R.C.A.F., Nova Scotia, and Miss Leda Hawtin.

Mr. and Mrs. Sheldon Walker, Ann and Donald, were Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jessie Dewsbury, Richmond Hill.

Mr. and Mrs. Vince Lennon visited Mr. Lennon's parents at Whitby on Christmas.

Sympathy is extended to the family of Mr. and Mrs. Everton Pegg and Mr. W. Fountain on the reported death of Jim Fountain in Italy.

The Hope W.A. will be held at the home of Mrs. A. Dike on Wednesday, Jan. 10.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Broderick and Billie, Mount Albert, were Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Broderick.

Jim Williams, R.C.A.F., Paulson, Man., and Ken Williams, Toronto, were supper guests on Saturday at the Broderick home.

Don Williams is holidaying at the Broderick's.

Misses Joyce and Ruth Brenair have been holidaying at the Brenair's.

Miss Lottie Tansley spent Christmas with Mrs. A. Brenair. Sympathy is extended to Mr. and Mrs. A. Gibson on the sudden death of Mrs. Gibson's father.

### Public Schools Close With Pupils' Concerts

Children and parents participated in concerts at each of the three public schools on Friday, Dec. 22, as the schools closed their fall terms and the pupils prepared for Christmas holidays. The public schools opened yesterday.

King George school set the pattern for entertainment which was followed by the other schools. The pupils entertained the parents with recitations, playlets and individual numbers. Then, the pupils went to their rooms where the teachers distributed gifts of candy and fruit.

A departure from routine was the hot dog stand that Kathleen Mathews set up at King George. Kathleen brought the "dogs" and buns to the school and sold them to the pupils. The proceeds of the sale are to be turned over to the Newmarket Veterans' Association.

Buy and sell the "classified" way.

## SPORTS...

FROM  
WHERE WE SIT  
By DEL. GIBNEY

A New Year has come and many changes in the course of one year, 365 days, have taken place. It is our hope that the end of 1945 will see all our young men and women back with us once again. For those who have felt the sorrows of war, we give our sympathy and hope that when 1946 breaks, the gloomy clouds of today will have been replaced by peace and goodwill to all mankind.

For the purpose of bringing back the activities of 1944 we will summarize briefly a few sporting highlights.

The first month hockey fans were treated to some fine displays of puck-chasing by 'teen-age kids and ex-pros playing for No. 23.

Jan. 4, the opening game in the Junior "B" series between Newmarket and Richmond Hill saw the local boys go down to defeat by 4-3 in a ten-minute overtime struggle.

The Juniors were out-luckied and were only capable of taking one game in the league. Cliff Gunn started the coaching duties but later thought Wheeler might put a little extra punch in the game.

The kids just didn't have what it takes to come through with wins and were rewarded with the cellar position. "Barney" Peterman played excellent hockey with the kids several times having six or more scoring points in one game.

Jan. 6, No. 23 opened its league at the local ice palace with goals and more goals, taking No. 26, Orillia, to the tune of 18-6. Walter Zukl performed the double hat trick, rapping home seven goals with four in a row, and Gar Preston, a local lad, collected eight scoring points. No. 23 fell to the strong Brampton club on Jan. 20.

Nine hundred spectators were satisfied that they had seen the best game in hockey since 1933. These two clubs met in the final stages and No. 23 were weak opponents for the Brampton club which took two straight games in fine fashion.

Feb. 7, public school kids opened their hockey league at the arena. These youngsters played good hockey all season and when the play-offs came in March, Firth's Midgits nosed out Marwood's Favorites at the annual "Kids' Night."

This event saw many spills and chills for the futures of the game. It was not until Feb. 17 that the skiers had the opportunity to show their skill on the downhill slopes.

A few inches of snow fell, making the ground white in color but rough for the inexperienced skier. One weekend, March 3, there was perfect skiing and all who loved the sport had their last dips and spills for the year.

In the five-pin league many high scores and new bowlers came to light. In the ladies' league, Rose Lee lead all comers for the first part of the season with 215-point average but slipped towards the end to let Deanne Muirhead come through with a 161.15 average for 21 games. The best individual mark set for all time in the new alloys (men or women) was rolled by Eileen Hughes with ten strikes and one spare for a grand total of 360 points.

In the men's section de Havilland bowlers beat out Office Specialty by rolling the highest score on the alloys for the year, 3450, with a team average of 230 points. Bruce Gibson was high bowler for the schedule with 341 and Roy Gibson was high for three consecutive games with 351. Herman Bonnitz was the best bowler in the league for the year, rolling 358 for a single game and 878 for three consecutive games. He saved his high marks until the play-offs and therefore was out of the prize money.

April 13, with snow still in the air, Andy Mordison was talking lawn bowling. Charlie VanZant and George Haskett were pitching for a Juvenile Hardball league. These two boys deserve much credit in their handling of the kids, bringing them along to take the crown in the first year of Juvenile baseball in North York.

Early in the fishing season, Ray Jelley, Jack Menab and Elgin Evans came home with a fine catch of trout. Harry Bell and Bert Morrison were among the first to catch pike weighing four or five pounds. The biggest fish for early season tackling goes to Frank Courtney who brought home a lovely 28-inch lake trout weighing eight pounds. Tom Birrell, Allan Mills and Wyatt Moorthy were also close by with lake trout, seven-pounders for the first two and a five-pounder for the latter.

Lawn bowlers had open house May 28 when all present were served with supper and afterwards treated to a fine evening of bowling. The rink of Lyman Rose, Fred Chantler and Vaughan Goring came through to retain the Office Specialty trophy. Stanley Janos, skipping for the first time in his many years of bowling, with Mrs. S. J. Boyd and Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Wainman, took top honors at Stouffville. Andrew Mordison and Percy King won at Agincourt with three straight wins in men's doubles with Percy placing booby traps and Andy's leaning coming through for a seven-end during the contest. Tom Doyle's rink of Stan Smith, Bob Large and Dr. Brorson was successful in holding the E. J. Davis trophy on the local club's shelf for another year. Bert Pudd and Jack Luck brought

## Santa Makes Two Trips To Vandorf Concerts

(Dec. 28)

What Christmas season would be complete without its concerts? Those special events at which our juniors face an awe-inspiring audience for perhaps the first time; and which for others, senior in years it may be, is the culminating point of weeks of rehearsals.

During the past week this neighborhood heard two splendid Christmas concerts. The first on Wednesday evening was given by the pupils of Vandorf public school, and the second on Friday night by members of Wee le y Sunday-school and church.

At the Wednesday night event the pupils of the Vandorf school, under the direction of the teacher, Mrs. Margaret Gould, kept their parents and friends interested and happy with a program of dialogues, drills and choruses, and much favorable comment on the youngsters' singing has been heard since that night.

Mr. Buckley, Toronto, had coached the children for their vocal numbers. Mrs. G. E. Richardson acted as accompanist and Rev. A. E. Moddle was the chairman of the evening.

Of course, old Santa Claus had been tipped off that he was expected to appear; and even though the roads filled in rapidly that evening, and he had to push or shovel a bit, he made the grade and emptied his pack and the Christmas tree into the arms of the expectant throng of youngsters.

On Friday night this generous old gentleman made a second call at the hall. This time he was in a most vivacious mood, dashing and sliding around the hall and indiscriminately distributing kisses of both candy and the oral variety to old and young alike. Like a reformed Scrooge, he was as light as a feather and as merry as a schoolboy.

During the evening the junior Sunday-school sang several carols and Christmas songs and gave a number of recitations. They all faced the foot-lights well, and no doubt like many of the rest of us, will long remember their first platform appearance.

Rev. Moddle again acted as chairman and in a few words stressed that everyone must remember the real meaning of Christmas and carry its spirit on into the coming year.

There is one story in English literature which never grows old, and yet is as reasonable as holly and mistletoe. That story is Dickens' Christmas Carol.

During the evening a group from Sunday-school and church presented the Christmas Carol in play form, and from comment heard since everyone thoroughly enjoyed the interpretation of Dickens' well-known characters as portrayed by the cast. Mem-

more laurels to the Newmarket bowling club by making something of a record play, with a score of 50 points for three games. Peony McCaffrey, a young member, won the distinction of being the best bowler of the Newmarket club by taking two top-notch bowlers when he defeated Bob Large in the semifinals and Percy King in the finals of the men's singles.

June 9 was the start of ladies' softball and ten days later the girls opened their league playing exceptionally good ball. The Town girls came through with the championship. Later the Town team was met by the All-Stars who made the undefeated Towners sit back and take notice of how it was done. Many softball stars of tomorrow were brought to light with such girls as Mary Ellen McInnis, Winnie DeLallaye, Phyllis Pegg, Mary Moore, all newcomers to the game. The league finished up with every coach and member of the clubs enjoying a grand summer's entertainment and hoping to carry on next season. On Aug. 14, All-Stars played host to Aurora Ordnance before a crowd of some 800 people.

On July 10, somewhere in Franklin Pond, a pike was chucking over the frailty of Human Flesh. Bert Budd was wading barefooted up the stream searching for minnows. So intent was he that he didn't notice a 14-inch pike poking along behind. Perhaps it was curiosity, perhaps Bert's toes looked like a good meal, anyway, the fish struck. Bert yelled and splashed for shore. The next week the fish was caught.

The biggest event of the year in the sporting world was the 5-1 vote that the Newmarket rate-payers piled up in favor of the purchase of the Newmarket arena by the town.

In the five-pin league the Lawn bowlers are leading all comers by four points.

Standing to date: Lawn Bowlers, 24; Office Specialty, 20; de Havilland, 20; Giffroy's Merchants, 19; Engineers, 18; Dixon's, 12; Budd's Photographers, 12; Geer and Hyora Truckers, 5. Ken Flett holds high for single game with 334 and Sid Simmons high for three consecutive games with 774.

Elmo Drury leads all bowlers in averages for the year, rolling 214 in 21 games. In 24 games, Herman Benitz, 207; Sid Simmons, 206; Tom Doyle, 204; Harry Wesley, 203. Roy Gibson, in 18 games, 202; and Ernie Benitz and George Close, 201 and 200 in 24 games.

### KILLED OVERSEAS



Ivan Pollock, son of Mrs. Earl Pollock, Markham, was reported killed in action in October.

### LOCAL MARKET

There was a very small market on Friday afternoon. Small eggs brought 30 cents a dozen, mediums 35 cents, and large 40 cents. Butter was 40 cents a pound.

Ducks were 34 cents a pound, turkeys 47 cents a pound, geese 34 cents a pound and chickens 31 cents and 32 cents a pound.

### TORONTO MARKETS

Butter, creamery solids, No. 1, was 35 cents a pound on the Toronto markets on Tuesday. Creamery prints, first grade, were 36½ cents a pound.

Country dealers were quoted on graded eggs, on a cases free, delivered to Toronto basis, as follows: grade A large, 35 cents a dozen; A medium, 31 to 31½ cents a dozen; and A pellets, 26 to 26½ cents a dozen.

Nominal prices to the shipper on poultry were: spring broilers, 2 to 2½ pounds, 28 cents a pound; fowl, over 5 pounds, 25 cents a pound; chickens, over 5 pounds, 29 cents a pound.

Prices in the cattle trade included: weighty steers, \$11 to \$12.50; butcher steers, \$9.50 to \$11.50; heifers, \$11 down; butcher cows, \$7 to \$9.25; canners down to \$5.50; bulls, \$6.50 to \$8.50; fed yearlings, \$11.85 to \$13.25.

Calves were \$13 to \$13.50 for choice with common light vealers down to \$10.

Good ewe and wether lambs were \$13 to \$13.50, with culls down to \$7.

Sheep were \$3 to \$5. Hogs, grade A dressedweight, were \$18.35, with sows \$13.25 dressed weight.

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Mrs. W. Gilroy, 57 Eagle St., Mrs. E. C. Johnson, Mrs. Barber, 29 Millard Ave., Mrs. McNicol, R. R. 1, and Mrs. Geo. Thornton, Franklin St., all of Newmarket, had the greatest number of correct answers to last week's classified ad contest and so will receive the five double passes to the Strand theatre.

These five winners may see *Gone With the Wind*, starring Bing Crosby, Elsie Stevens, Barry Fitzgerald and Porter Hall, either Tuesday, Jan. 9, or Thursday, Jan. 11. They may pick up their passes any evening at the Strand theatre.

The correct answers were: outboard, reasonable, cabinet, electric, reservoir, freshen, pullets, reliable, research and interested.

## THIS WEEK'S CONTEST

Greenwich Village, starring Carmen Miranda, Don Ameche and William Bendix, and *U-Boat Prisoner*, starring Bruce Bennett, on Tuesday, Jan. 16, or *The Impatient Years*, starring Lee Bowman and Jean Arthur, and *Stand In*, on Thursday, Jan. 18, are offered by the Strand theatre to the five winners of double passes of this week's contest. They may attend either evening.

Contestants are asked to send their entries in on a slip of paper four and a half inches by two and a half inches (4 1/2" x 2 1/2"). Only one entry will be accepted from any one household or family and the entry must be in the contestant's own handwriting.

Entries must reach The Era and Express office by 9:30 Tuesday morning.

The ten classified words have been scrambled this week. Here they are: EEARRHCS, OIOTSP, AKRTH, YMERED, SMIAANI, EIOYSH, BURFQAT, MINITP, SIEE, SNNJAIOTE, GNMVROL.

## NOTICE

The annual meeting of the lot owners of the Newmarket Cemetery Co. will be held on Monday, Jan. 15, at 8 p.m. in the department of agriculture office, Newmarket. There will be the election of officers and transaction of general business. W. L. Bosworth, Pres., W. O. Carruthers, Sec.-Treas.

## PUBLIC NOTICE

The annual meeting of the Queensville Cemetery Co. will be held on Monday, Jan. 15, at 8 p.m., at the home of the secretary-treasurer, Frank Milne, president. Fred Dew, secretary-treasurer.

## SALE REGISTERS

Saturday, Jan. 13—Auction sale of household effects, the property of the estate of the late Lyson Denne, to be sold at the premises, 57 Lorne Ave., Newmarket. No reserve. Sale at 1 p.m. Terms cash. Henry Denne, executor. P. N. Smith, auctioneer.

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## WANTED ADS

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## SA FOR RENT

For rent—House at 7 Simcoe St., Newmarket. Apply 98 Charles St., West, Toronto. \*2w48

For rent—Cottage on corner of Yonge and Huron Sts., Apply Mrs. Stanley Barker, R. R. 2, Newmarket. clw49

## 17 ARTICLES FOR SALE

For sale—Pair C.C.M. speed skates, size 10 1/4, 16" blade, \$4. Sun lamp, \$25. 19 Park Ave., Newmarket. \*3w47

For sale—Girl's brown velvet goloshes, size 4 1/2. Men's rubber boots, size 8. Phone Newmarket 419. clw49

For sale—Man's horsehide leather coat, fur collar, blanket cloth lined. Size 38. Good condition. Phone Newmarket 696. clw49

For sale—Opossum fur jacket. Practically new. Apply 45 Timothy St. W., Newmarket. clw49

For sale—Coal oil heater, \$35.00. Apply at shoe store, 68 Main St., Newmarket. (No dealers). clw49

For sale—Woman's black cloth coat, fur collar, size about 33 (interlined), good condition. \$10. Apply 76 Main St., Newmarket. clw49

For sale—Hecla hot air furnace, burnt three winters in excellent condition. Apply Jeff Smith, Gorham St., Newmarket, or phone 318. \*3w49

## 17B MERCHANDISE

For sale—Heavy tweed pants at Insley's. For the boys who do not like heavy breeches. 13 to 18 years. \$3.69. clw48

## 18 ARTICLES WANTED

Wanted to buy—Pair girl's white tube skates and boots, size 5, in good condition. Apply Era and Express box 904. \*2w49

## 19A USED CAR WANTED

Wanted to buy—For cash. Good used cars, any make, any model. Phone 717 Newmarket. clw48

## 22 HELP WANTED

Help wanted—A practical nurse, full-time. Apply Knowles' store, 192 Main St., Newmarket. clw49

## HELP WANTED FEMALE

Two maids wanted for boys' boarding school near Aurora. Live in, good accommodation. Apply Employment and Selective Service office, Newmarket. clw49

## FARMER WANTED

Farmer wanted—For early spring. Competent, reliable married farmer to farm and maintain 100-acre farm (15 acres under crop), raise forage crops, tend brood mares and colts, two concessions east and one concession north of Aurora. Telephone, electric light, running water in house and barn, excellent machinery. Wages \$100 per month and use of small stucco farm house in good order with bathroom, toilet and septic tank, winter and summer kitchen, permission to keep one cow, chickens and kitchen garden for personal use and use fallen timber for fuel. References required. Apply Clifford Sifton, 320 Bay St., Toronto, Elgin 9483. clw49

## 24 LOST

Lost—Two hound pups, male and female, black and tan. Female has bob tail. About six months old. Finder please notify Robt. Radford, R. R. 2, Newmarket, or phone 14912. clw49

Lost—On Tuesday morning. Gray striped cat. Male. Answers to "Herbie". Finder please notify King George hotel, Newmarket. \*1w49

## 28 LIVESTOCK FOR SALE

For sale—Fifteen pigs, chunks Wm. Gould, lot 5, cor. 3, Old Survey, King, phone 286w1, Newmarket. clw49

## 29 POULTRY FOR SALE

For sale—1945 chick buyers. We are in a position to offer you a higher quality chick than last season in the following straight breeds: Barred Rocks, New Hampshire, White Leghorn. Hybrids: Barred Rock and New Hampshire, New Hampshire and Barred Rock, Light Sussex and New Hampshire. Day-old cockerels in good supply for February, March and early April delivery. A 10 percent deposit books your order now to secure the best available date. J. A. Perks, phone 657, Newmarket. clw48

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For sale—Trusses, surgical supports, elastic hosiery, for those who suffer from varicose veins, ankle and knee troubles. Arch supports. Lumbago belts. Best's Drug Store, phone 14, Newmarket. clw48

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Wanted—Cats (full grown) and dogs (small adults only). For essential waif research. Troyer Natural Science Service, Oak Ridge, phone King 3r32. \*13w49

## 32 WOOD FOR SALE

For sale—Hardwood and cedar kindling. Cut in stove lengths. Delivered. Apply Garnet Fairbairn, Sharon, or phone Queensville 1709. clw48

For sale—Dry, body hardwood. First class assortment dry, stove wood, consisting of birch, elm, ash, cedar, poplar. Delivered. Apply I. G. Arnold, Queensville, phone 3100. \*6w46

For sale—Hardwood, softwood and kindling wood. Will deliver. E. Blizard, Eagle St., at stop light, Phone Newmarket 202w2. \*6w46

## BIRTHS

Carr—At York County hospital, on Friday, Dec. 29, 1944, to Pte. and Mrs. George Carr, R. R. 2, Holt, a daughter.

Duncan—LAC and Mrs. J. F. Duncan (Evelyn Sanderson) are happy to announce the birth of their daughter, Carol Ann, at Earlshurst hospital, Stouffville, on Dec. 28, 1944.

Jennings—At York County hospital, on Sunday, Dec. 31, 1944, to Mr. and Mrs. Roy Jennings, Schomberg, a daughter.

Menar—At York County hospital, on Sunday, Dec. 31, 1944, to Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Menar, Mount Albert, a daughter.

Morris—At York County hospital, on Sunday, Dec. 31, 1944, to Mr. and Mrs. Jim Morris, Ravenshoe, a son.

Parker—At the Private Patients' Pavilion, Toronto Western hospital, on Thursday, Dec. 28, 1944, to Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Parker (nee Follitt), King, a daughter.

Ryman—At York County hospital, on Tuesday, Jan. 2, 1945, to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Ryman, Downsview, a son.

Woolley—At York County hospital, on Friday, Dec. 29, 1944, to Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Woolley (Lena Downs), Oak Ridge, a son.

## DEATHS

Clark—On Sunday, Dec. 31, 1944, James Thomas Clark, in his 60th year, late of Toronto and Cook's Bay, Lake Simcoe, husband of Stella May Madden and father of James T. Clark, Jr., Keswick, Thelma (Mrs. Charles Cridland), Irma (Mrs. Sydney Greig, Jr.), and Marvin, Toronto, and Gunner Verduin Clark, R.C.A. overseas.

The funeral service was held in Toronto on Wednesday afternoon. Interment St. John's (Norway) cemetery.

Cody—At Uxbridge, on Saturday, Dec. 30, 1944, Alice Vandewater Cody, mother of Mrs. Garfield Oldham (Myrtle), Mrs. Austin Card (Otha) and Byron Vandewater, Portland, Oregon.

A private funeral service was held at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Austin Card, Uxbridge, on Wednesday afternoon to Uxbridge cemetery vault. Burial will take place at Mount Albert cemetery.

Hartford—At Newmarket, on Tuesday, Jan. 2, 1945, William John Dunell, U.S. in his 80th year. The funeral service was held in Toronto this afternoon. Interment St. James' cemetery, Toronto.

Preston—On Saturday, Dec. 30, 1944, at Toronto General hospital, Melvin, son of Mr. and Mrs. V. L. Preston, 658 Westdale Ave., Toronto, and brother of Pte. Gerald (Newmarket), Cpl. Carl (overseas), Mrs. Arthur Milten (Eva), Richmond Hill, and Lorraine Preston, in his 14th year.

The funeral service was held in Toronto on Tuesday afternoon. Interment Park Lawn cemetery.

Willson—At her late residence, George St., Aurora, Monday, Jan. 1, 1945, Cecelia Rogers, wife of David Willson, in her 65th year. The funeral service was held at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. J. E. Buchanan, Metcalfe St., Aurora, on Wednesday afternoon. Interment Queensville cemetery.

Resting at the chapel of Roadhouse and Rose. Funeral service in the chapel on Friday, Jan. 5, at 2 o'clock. Interment Newmarket cemetery.

Howard—At Toronto General hospital on Friday, Dec. 29, 1944, Ethel Fipher, wife of the late Wakefield C. Howard and mother of Major Byron W. Howard (overseas), formerly of Ottawa.

The funeral service was held in the chapel of Roadhouse and Rose on Monday afternoon. Interment Newmarket cemetery.

Macdonald—On Friday, Dec. 22, 1944, at his home, 625 North Ave. 66, Los Angeles, Calif., George R. Macdonald, husband of Gertrude Macdonald, an eldest son of the late ex-Governor George S. Macdonald, Toronto, eldest brother of Mrs. W. J. Pegg (formerly of Sutton West), West Hill.

Peers—At Toronto, on Jan. 1, 1945, Charles H. Peers, husband of the late Jennie Peers, father of Bert, James, Arvin, Emerald, Toronto, Pearl, Zephyr, Ruby, Niagara Falls, N.Y., and Russell,

## CHURCHES

SUNDAY, JANUARY 7TH

## FIRST CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

Rev. L. E. Sparks, Minister  
10 a.m.—Sunday school  
11 a.m.—"THE KING WHO WAS CALLED A BOY SCOUT"

Newmarket Boy Scouts will parade to church  
7 p.m.—"COME INTO THE ARK"

Wednesday, Jan. 10, at 8 p.m. Special Memorial Service for deceased missionaries. All missionary groups invited to attend.

## NEWMARKET GOSPEL TABERNACLE

Associated Gospel Churches of Canada  
12 Millard Ave.  
9:50 a.m.—Bible school  
11 a.m.—Morning worship  
7 p.m.—Evangelistic service

## MR. MACKENZIE OF TORONTO

Everyone Welcome

## FREE METHODIST CHURCH

31 Millard Ave.  
Rev. G. H. Bache, Pastor  
Quarterly Services Jan. 5 - 7  
Fri., 8 a.m.—Praching  
Sun., 9:45 a.m.—Sunday-school  
Sun., 10:15 a.m.—Fellowship  
Sun., 11 a.m.—Praching  
Sun., 12 noon—Holy Communion  
Sun., 7 p.m.—Evangelistic

Rev. C. W. Kay, Dist. Supt., in charge  
Everyone Welcome

## ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Minister: W. I. McELWAIN  
Organist: MRS. J. A. KOFFEIN  
Services 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.  
The minister will preach  
Sunday-school and teenage Bible class - 2:30 p.m.

Mon., Jan. 15—Annual meeting of the congregation  
Sun., Jan. 21—Sacrament of the Lord's supper and baptisms  
Sun., Feb. 25—11th anniversary services—remember this date.

## THE SALVATION ARMY

14 Queen St. West  
Capt. and Mrs. Arthur Robinson  
Sunday Services  
11 a.m.—Holiness Service  
7 p.m.—Bright Gospel Service, Mrs. Capt. Robinson preaching

## CHRISTIAN CHURCH

REV. ALEXANDER R. STEIN  
Pastor  
MRS. J. E. CANE  
Organist  
Sunday Services  
11 a.m. and 7 p.m.  
Sunday-school  
2:30 p.m.

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## SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

—Mrs. M. L. Broughton, Toronto, spent the New Year's weekend with Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Broughton.

—Miss Hilda Grier, Reg. N., spent the New Year's weekend in Lansdowne.

—Miss Shirley Langford spent the holiday week in Brampton as a guest of Rev. and Mrs. Burritt.

—Miss Doreen Hall spent the Christmas holiday in Toronto with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Hall.

—Misses Ellen and Gertrude Pollock, nurses-in-training at the Toronto General hospital, spent New Year's with Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Smith.

—Miss Nelda Declare has returned from spending three weeks holidays at her home in Winchester.

—Mr. J. R. Warren, Toronto, spent New Year's with his niece, Mrs. Robt. Smith, and Mr. Smith.

—Miss Clara Trivett, Toronto, spent the weekend with her sister, Mrs. Frank Palmateer, and Mr. Palmateer.

—Mrs. John Henderson, Peterboro, spent last week with Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Pritchard while Masters John and Robert Henderson spent their holidays with Mrs. Basil McFale.

—Mr. and Mrs. Roy Belfry and family, Mrs. Margaret Belfry and Mrs. Blanche Neilly, Toronto, Pte. and Mrs. Wm. J. Watson and Nancy, Aurora, spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Rogers.

—Miss Edna Sheppard and Miss Margaret Rowe spent New Year's at Stouffville.

—Mrs. Blanche Neilly, Toronto, spent New Year's with Pte. and Mrs. Wm. J. Watson and Nancy, Aurora.

—Miss Marie Lauder, Toronto, visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Hunter over the New Year weekend.

—Miss Margaret Withrow, Toronto, and Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Hunter and Kenneth, Milton, were New Year's guests of Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Hunter.

—Writer and Mrs. Bruce Hunter and Bobbie have returned to Halifax after visiting their parents.

—Miss Margaret Moffat, Toronto, visited her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Moffat, over the weekend.

—Mr. and Mrs. Harper Price, Miss Eileen Price, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Price and Carol, spent the New Year's Day with Mr. and Mrs. Bert Cole, Willowdale.

—Mr. Sterling Codys, Winnipeg, spent New Year's with his brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Allen J. Cody.

—Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Meyer and Miss Annabelle Meyer, Toronto, were New Year's guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Meyer.

—Miss Dorothy McPherson, Walford, is in town for a few days visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Ruddock.

—Dr. and Mrs. L. W. Dales held open house on Friday evening.

—Miss Anna Damm, Toronto, visited Mr. and Mrs. D. R. McCann between Christmas and New Year's.

—Miss Jean Case has returned to St. Hilda's College, Toronto, after spending her holidays with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. G. E. Case.

—Miss Laura Summerby, Sault Ste. Marie, was a guest of Dr. and Mrs. G. E. Case for the holidays.

—Mrs. Leola Lord, Toronto, was a weekend guest of Miss Marion Stark.

—Mr. and Mrs. Will Buland, Toronto, spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Peppiatt.

—Miss Gloria Peppiatt, Reg. N., Toronto, home for the holiday season, will be in town for a couple of weeks.

Church of Nazarene  
CONVENTION IS HELD  
A Sunday-school and Young People's convention for the Ontario district of the Church of the Nazarene was held in the Hamilton church on New Year's day. Rev. Harrie Maxworthy, former pastor of the Newmarket church and chairman of the district Christian Service Training committee, opened the convention with a devotional message which was followed by an illustrated message by Rev. J. R. Spittal of Preston, on the work of the Sunday-school. Mr. Spittal is district chairman of the church school board and has had outstanding success in his work in that field.

After some good congregational singing with Pearl Sparks, Newmarket, at the piano, the main message was given by Rev. Lyle Eckley, New York, who stressed personal spiritual living on the part of those who work with the children.

The evening session was devoted to Young People's work. The convention was voted one of the very best ever attended by the delegates. Rev. Ross Coward, the district Young People's president, presided. The Young People from Avenue Rd. and St. Clair churches contributed much with their special singing, after which Rev. Eckley brought the evening message.

Delegates were present from Montreal, Trenton, London, Woodstock, Preston, five Toronto churches, Brighton and Newmarket.

Card of Thanks  
The family of the late Mrs. Fred Case



FLOORS ARE PAINTED

The room formerly occupied by public school classes and the gymnasium floor at the high school received new coats of paint during the holidays.

PAPER COLLECTION JAN. 6



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TO ALL A HAPPY AND VICTORIOUS NEW YEAR

RODERICK V. SMITH

TO ALL THE ELECTORS OF AURORA

A sincere THANK YOU and a Happy New Year

HOWARD BUNN SCHOOL TRUSTEE-ELECT

WED AT CORNWALL



St. Paul's United church, Cornwall, was the setting for the wedding of Lucy Margaret, only daughter of Mrs. Windle, and Sgt. Richard Earl Gibson McCann, elder son of Mrs. W. Forth, Toronto. Sgt. McCann is a grandson of the late John L. Gibson of East Gwillimbury.

PTE. BULL WEDS TORONTO GIRL

A quiet wedding took place on Saturday, Dec. 30, in Trinity Anglican church, Aurora, when Mary Eleanor Ness, only daughter of Mrs. Charles Ness and the late Mrs. Ness, Toronto, was united in marriage to Pte. Theodore William Bull, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Bull, Aurora. Canon F. J. Fife officiated.

The bride wore a street-length dress of powder blue crepe-back satin with sweetheart neckline with black accessories and a corsage of orchids. She was attended by the groom's sister, Miss Marie Bull, who wore a street-length dress of powder blue wool with black accessories and a corsage of yellow roses.

The groomsmen was Cnr. Reginald Casgrey, who has just returned from Normandy.

Following the ceremony a reception was held at the home of the groom's parents, Macell Ave., the bride's sister-in-law receiving in a dress of black crepe and corsage of yellow roses. The groom's mother chose a dress of beige crepe with corsage of white carnations.

About 25 guests partook of a buffet lunch.

The happy young couple will reside in Toronto.

BEGIN NEW YEAR WITH IMPRESSIVE SERVICE

The Y.P.U. of Aurora United church held a Fireside hour at the church parlors following the evening service on Sunday. The program included sing-songs led by Jacqueline Thomson, quiz contests under the direction of Bill Babcock and Clare Bryan, and a musical appreciation hour of some of the great music of the ages. Luncheon was served and the group, numbering over 50, awaited the approach of the New Year.

At 11 p.m. the Y.P.U. proceeded to the church to join over 100 adults who had gathered for a Watch Night service. The choir, under the direction of Mrs. A. C. A. Willis, was present and provided seasonal hymns. Bruce Underhill, the president, led in prayer. The scripture readings were given by Ruth Knowles, Charles McNaught and Joan Harrison. The topic, The Road 1945-A Highway, was impressively taken by Bruce Underhill, Carol Underhill, Ruth Knowles and Charles McNaught. Just prior to the New Year, Rev. Roy Hicks officiated at a candle-lighting service, with the lights of the church being dimmed. As the New Year was ushered in, the chimes and seasonal recordings rang out from the church tower, the candles were extinguished and the church lights came on. Rev. Roy Hicks pronounced the benediction.

HAPPY NEW YEAR TO YOU ALL

My hearty congratulations to Mayor Linton and the newly elected members of Aurora town council and my sincere thanks and appreciation to my loyal supporters.

THOS. F. SWINDLE

KEEP THIS DATE OPEN

C.C.F. Euchre and Social Evening WEDNESDAY, JAN. 10, AT 8 P.M.

ODDFELLOWS' HALL, AURORA

Guest of the evening - Mrs. J. S. Woodsworth

Everybody Welcome Prizes and Lunch

CLASSIFIEDS CAN BE OF SERVICE TO YOU

SERVING AURORA AND DISTRICT

Gerald Cox, Wounded In Action, Dies Overseas

PAPER COLLECTION

Saturday will be waste paper collection day in Aurora. Citizens are urged to have everything in readiness for those who call at their homes. The proceeds from the sale of the waste paper will go to the Aurora Board of Trade's war memorial fund. Paper is vitally needed in Canada's war effort.

Frank Cox, Yonge St., well-known Aurora war veteran, has received word from the department of national defence that his son, Pte. Gerald Cox, who was serving overseas with a Canadian Highland unit, died as a result of wounds sustained in action.

Pte. Cox, who was educated at Aurora public school, enlisted in 1940 with the infantry and has been overseas since 1942. He was in his 21st year. He leaves beside his father a wife and child. He was employed with Collis Leather Co.

Farm Commandos Enjoy Reunion, Honor Mrs. Lee

WITH THE FORCES

LAC Bill Thompson, Paulson, Man., spent New Year's leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Thompson.

Major N. F. Johnson, Camp Borden, spent New Year's at his home.

Sgt. Bob Armstrong, R.C.A.F., of King, has been posted to Halifax, N.S.

O.S. Jim Rowe, H.M.C.S. York, Toronto, spent the weekend with his mother, Mrs. Bert Rowe.

Pte. Dawson Brown, Orillia, spent New Year's leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Brown.

Pte. Jack Davidson, Halifax, N.S., spent several days last week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Davidson.

Tpr. Bill Stephens, Brampton, spent New Year's leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Stephens.

O.S. Fred Rowe, H.M.C.S. Discovery, Vancouver, has returned to duty after spending a month's leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Rowe.

Sgt. Lawrence Lawson, R.C.A.F., is now stationed at Yarmouth, N.S.

L.-Cpl. Bill Marich, Aurora R.C.O.C., spent New Year's at his home in Montreal, Que.

LAC Heath Hamilton, Aylmer, spent New Year's with his mother, Mrs. Donald Hamilton.

Pte. Bill Willis, Toronto, spent New Year's with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Willis.

Sgt. Robert Fife, Portage La Prairie, spent New Year's leave with Canon and Mrs. F. J. Fife and then reported for duty at Lachine, Que.

Earl Rose, R.C.N.V.R., Halifax, N.S., is spending a furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Rose.

LAW Doris Whitelaw, Lethbridge, Alta., is spending a leave with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. G. Whitelaw.

Tpr. Howard Sutton, Camp Borden, spent New Year's with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Sutton.

Pte. Allan Stephenson, Newmarket, spent the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Stephenson.

LAC Vern Powell, Hamilton, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. William Cameron. Spending a few weeks holidays with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. William Belfry, is 18-year-old Bill Burrows of the merchant marine, who has been on the high seas for nearly a year.

LAC Vaughan Williams, Halifax, N.S., who has just returned from Newfoundland, is spending the holidays with Dr. and Mrs. G. W. Williams.

Mrs. Alex. Moore, Kennedy St., received word last week that her husband, Pte. Alex. Moore, has been wounded in action in Italy.

WITH THE CHURCHES

The war services committee of Aurora United church met on Tuesday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. V. Smith.

Frank James was guest soloist at the Watch Night service Sunday evening at Trinity Anglican church.

Roy Langford, Newmarket, was guest speaker at the Watch Night service on Sunday at Aurora Baptist church.

The W.M.S. of Aurora United church met this afternoon in the church parlors to hear the annual reports.

Officers of the W.H.O. class of Aurora United church for 1945 are: Hon. pres., Mrs. Jas. Reynolds; pres., Mrs. P. E. Davis; vice-pres., Mrs. Charles Clarke and Mrs. Thomas Swindle; sec., Mrs. Frank Hughes; treas., Miss G. Stephenson; pianist, Mrs. F. Hughes.

Aurora news or classifieds. Phone 151 Aurora.

ALL WET "How did you like Venice?" "I only stayed there a few days. The place was flooded."

A pleasing feature of the holiday weekend was the visit to Aurora of 22 Toronto school girls and two of their comrades from Barrie. The girls joined Betty Boulding and Joan Crystall of Aurora for a reunion of the girl Farm Commandos who helped with Ontario's fruit crop at D'Arcy Cropp Farm, Queens-ton, last summer.

The girls came to town by bus and were luncheon guests of Lieut.-Col. and Mrs. C. R. Boulding. Then came an afternoon of skiing. At the supper hour, Mrs. Lorne C. Lee, who acted as camp mother last year, entertained the girls. In the evening came a sleighing party, a coffee party, provided by Betty and Joan, and then the trip home for the holiday.

The girls took the occasion to honor Mrs. Lee with the presentation of a handsome tea-pot and a card signed by all. Messages of regret at being unable to attend came from members of the group from Kingston, Lindsay and other Ontario centres.

LEAGUE WILL OPEN AT ARENA TUESDAY NIGHT

The Aurora town hockey league will get underway next Tuesday night at 7.45. Every Tuesday thereafter will see a doubleheader at Aurora arena.

The league consists of Aurora R.C.O.C., Ballantrae, Vandonf and Zephyr. Zephyr Blues are the defending champions of the John W. Bowser trophy, while Ballantrae is a new entry to the league, replacing Aurora Town team, which has amalgamated with the Vandonf Farmers.

President Bob Thomson and Secretary Herb Holman are expected to have municipal dignitaries present to get the league started.

The schedule as drawn sees Ordinance meet Vandonf in the opener, and Ballantrae and Zephyr meet in the nightcap.

Games Schedule Jan. 9 R.C.O.C. vs. Vandonf Ballantrae vs. Zephyr Jan. 16 Ballantrae vs. R.C.O.C. Vandonf vs. Zephyr Jan. 23 Zephyr vs. Vandonf R.C.O.C. vs. Ballantrae Jan. 30 Vandonf vs. R.C.O.C. Zephyr vs. Ballantrae Feb. 6 Zephyr vs. Vandonf R.C.O.C. vs. Ballantrae Feb. 13 Zephyr vs. R.C.O.C. Ballantrae vs. Vandonf

RECEIVE PICTURES

Through the courtesy of the department of national defence and George Duffield, president of the Aurora war veterans' association, Aurora high school has received large engravings of Generals Crerar, Eisenhower, Alexander, Burns, Montgomery and Simonds.

Also through the effort of Mr. Duffield arrangements have been made to bring to Aurora high school a series of war films, the first of which, Prelude to War, will be shown in Aurora high school auditorium on Jan. 15. The proceeds will go to the high school junior Red Cross.

HELP MEMORIAL FUND

The Collis Leather Co. has made a generous donation to the Aurora board of trade war memorial fund. The firm has requested the committee in charge to erect a bronze plaque in memory of the late Sgt. Charles Dawson.

VANDONF

Mr. and Mrs. George Preston had their family all at home for New Year's.

Cpl. Lloyd Preston, Chatham, N.S.; Pte. Bruce Preston, Orillia, and Pte. Grant Preston, Chatham, Ont., are spending their leaves at home.

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LARRY MOLYNEAUX WINS TROPHY



Larry Molyneux, Newmarket, is seen accepting the Leacock trophy from Frank Barnes, president of the Aurora Golf club. Hugh McRae, runner-up for the trophy, looks on. Photo by Barrager.

Social and Personal

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Mosley, Ajax, were Saturday guests of Mrs. Charles Dunham.

Miss Lorraine Guntion, nurse-in-training, Toronto, spent New Year's weekend with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. G. A. C. Guntion.

LAC Donald Snell, Charlotte-town, P.E.I., ACI David Snell, Debert, N.S., Miss Pat Snell, Reg. N., Toronto, and Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Fisher, Chicago, Ill., spent New Year's with Col. and Mrs. Thomas Dann.

Peter and Tony Monk spent New Year's in Toronto with their mother, Mrs. Monk, and their grandmother, Mrs. S. C. Jinks.

Mr. Charles Bowser, Buffalo, N.Y., brother of Mrs. Fred Browning and Mr. John Bowser, was in town on Saturday calling on friends.

Miss Marian van Nostrand and Miss M. Jefferson, of the staff of the Aurora public school, spent the holidays at Easton, Pa.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Steels and daughter of Islington spent New Year's with Mrs. Steels' mother, Mrs. Charles Webster.

Miss Dorothy Foote, Toronto, spent the holiday weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Foote.

Dr. Percy Devins, Toronto, spent Sunday with Dr. and Mrs. C. J. Devins.

Miss Hazel Connor, London, spent the holidays with her grandmother, Mrs. R. Tustian.

Misses Leila and Helen Boynton spent New Year's at Niagara Falls, N.Y., with Mr. and Mrs. Ross Boynton.

Miss Pat Guntion, nurse-in-training, Toronto, spent several days last week with Dr. and Mrs. G. A. C. Guntion.

Miss Jane Hodgkinson spent last week in Toronto with her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Lindsay.

Mrs. Edith Houle, Toronto, spent New Year's weekend with Mrs. H. Dawson.

Miss Kathleen Mosley, Toronto, spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Mosley.

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Brooks, Newmarket, and Miss Ethel Graham, Toronto, spent New Year's Day with Mrs. M. L. Andrews.

Miss Beth Frost, Brighton, a former Aurora resident, spent New Year's with Mr. and Mrs. George Duffield.

Misses Pat Coburn, Dorothy Gouille and "Midge" Coristine, Toronto, were Saturday guests of Miss Betty Boulding.

Mr. and Mrs. Murray Wood, Toronto, spent New Year's Day with Mr. and Mrs. Reg Wood.

Mr. and Mrs. Werden Leavens and family and Mr. William Malloy, Bolton, and Mrs. Clifford Giles, Newmarket, Mr. and Mrs. John Malloy, Oak Ridges, and Mr. and Mrs. Neil Malloy, Maple, and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Prentice and family, Toronto, were New Year's Day guests of Mr. Charles Malloy and the Misses M. and C. Malloy.

Miss Joan Harrison commenced studies at the Ontario College of Art in Toronto this week.

Miss Mary Annan has resumed her studies at Toronto normal school after spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Annan.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Heise, Toronto, spent the holiday weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Percy Heise.

Sgt. and Mrs. John Cross, St. Catharines, spent New Year's with relatives in town.

Pte. Charles Case and family, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Smith and family, Mr. and Mrs. George Lloyd and family, Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Barker and family, Mr. and Mrs. Archie Monkman and family, Mr. and Mrs. Lorne Evans and Miss Helen Evans spent New Year's Day with Mr. and Mrs. Howard Bunn.

Mrs. William Brown, Toronto, spent New Year's with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Bel-

AURORA MAN, WALT. MACHELL WAS 94 SUNDAY

One of Aurora's oldest native sons, Walter Macchell, Tyler St., quietly celebrated his 94th birthday on Sunday. Mr. Macchell has resided in Aurora all his life. When he was born, Aurora was called Macchell's Corners, a name it held for some years. It was named after his grandfather, the late Richard Macchell, one of the early settlers of the district.

For over 40 years Mr. Macchell conducted a brickyard where the Collis Leather plant is now located and for 22 years he was bailiff of the 6th division court, as well as being on the county sheriff's staff for 20 years.

While spending most of his time at home, he is in fairly good health except for his hearing. Two of his children, Mrs. Orlie DeLaHaye and Ross Macchell, reside in Aurora.

MRS. D. WILLSON LIVED IN AURORA 15 YEARS

The death occurred on Sunday of Mrs. David B. Willson, George St., a resident of Aurora for the past 15 years.

Mrs. Willson, who was in her 65th year, died suddenly after a week's serious illness. Born in East Gwillimbury township, Cecilia Rogers was married 42 years ago. She resided with her family near Queensville until moving to Aurora. She was a member of Aurora United church.

The funeral service on Wednesday was conducted by Rev. Roy Hicks. Interment was at Queensville cemetery.

Surviving beside her husband are six daughters and two sons, Mrs. J. E. Buchanan, Mrs. Ted Heaney and Mrs. John Holder, of Aurora; Mrs. Thomas Wright, Toronto; Mrs. Allan Oster, Concord; and Mrs. Robert Summer-ville, Thornhill, and Walter, Brantford, and Albert, Orillia, a brother, Albert Rogers, Queensville, and three sisters, Mrs. Joel Chapple, Sutton West, Mrs. Samuel King, Holt, and Mrs. Oliver Blizard, Ravenshoe.

HONOR T. BLACKBURN

After 25 years' service as secretary-treasurer of S. S. No. 12, King (Blackburn school), Thomas Blackburn, Kettleby, has resigned from office. The ratepayers honored the 72-year-old ex-trustee by passing a resolution of appreciation. Mr. Blackburn served 39 years as a trustee of the section.

W.I. MEETS

The Aurora Women's Institute met Wednesday evening at the home of Mrs. Robert Garfat. Mrs. Garfield Hamilton, Newmarket, was the guest speaker. The hostesses were Mrs. Charles Bilbrough and Mrs. William Waite.

NEW YEAR'S LIST

Mentioned in dispatches in the King's New Year's list was Flt.-Lieut. James Foy, D.F.C., a grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Foy, Temperance St., and a former student at Aurora high school. Flt.-Lieut. Foy is now in Canada, returning last year after an escape through Occupied France.

Mrs. A. McGirr, Cotton, Ont., is visiting Mr. and Mrs. William McGirr.

Mrs. James Murray spent New Year's at Camp Borden with her husband, Sgt. James Murray, and attended the T. & S. Wing sergeants' mess dance on New Year's Eve.

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Aurora Boys Home On Leave After Overseas Service

A visitor to Aurora last week was Sgt. Leslie ("Buck") Steadman. Sgt. Steadman is home from Italy owing to the serious illness of his wife, now residing in Toronto.

Sgt. Steadman enlisted with the R.C.A.S.C. in 1940 and went overseas in 1941. After training in England he went to Italy. The ship upon which he sailed was torpedoed off the coast of Italy, and rescue was effected after some hours in the water.

He saw action throughout the Italian campaign and met quite a few Aurora boys. He reports the Germans as tenacious fighters, still fairly strong in Italy, and the morale of Canadian troops high. Sgt. Steadman was employed with the Sisman Shoe Co. before enlisting.

Warrant Officer Grant Stephenson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Stephenson, Oak Ridges, arrived home from overseas for 30 days leave in time for New Year's Day. A graduate of Aurora high school, W.O. Stephenson enlisted in 1940. He is a wireless operator. He has been overseas since May, 1941. A member of the Lions Squadron, he was wounded last February but has fully recovered.

Shortly before leaving England he met F.O. B. T. O'Brien, a former member of the staff of Aurora high school now stationed in the north of England. F.O. O'Brien sent New Year's greetings to all his friends in Aurora.

W.O. Stephenson, who is 22, spent New Year's Eve in Toronto and looks forward to renewing acquaintances before returning overseas.

Sgt. Dan Lawson, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Lawson, Catharine Ave., is home from overseas after an extensive tour of duty with the R.C.A.F. Sgt. Lawson is one of three brothers in the R.C.A.F., all sergeants, and just missed seeing his brother, Sgt. Lawrence Lawson, by a few days.

Sgt. Lawson has been on service with the air force since 1941, and has been overseas since 1942. After a month in Canada he expects to rejoin his squadron. His arrival in time for New Year's Day came as a surprise to his family.

Cpl. Stanley Bone of Aurora and Newmarket, whose wife, the former Leona Ash of Aurora, now resides in Toronto, is home from Italy on 30 days leave.

Cpl. Bone was one of the first Aurora boys to enlist for active service in 1939 and arrived overseas early in 1940. It was his first Christmas at home in five years. He has been in Italy since the invasion in 1943 and has seen considerable action.

Canada looked pretty good to him after his long absence, he said. He is in good health and brought messages from several district boys. A brother-in-law, Wilmoit Ash, resides in Aurora.

Ellwood Davis Heads Poll For Aurora Councillors

About 600 voters, slightly less than last year's figure, went to the polls on New Year's Day to elect six councillors and three school trustees. While the weather and the holiday season doubtless kept many at home, the vote was less than 50 per cent of the possible vote. In the race for council, a newcomer to municipal life, Ellwood Davis, headed the polls. Mr. Davis led in all but Ward 1. Of the five members of the 1944 council seeking re-election, four were returned. Dr. Crawford Rose led in popularity, second to Mr. Davis, with Rod V. Smith, A. N. Fisher and Fred Rowland running in that order.

Thomas Swindle lost his seat to a novice in municipal politics, William A. West, by the narrow margin of four votes. Ward 4, in which both Mr. West and Mr. Swindle ran, was the last to report and with this ward outstanding, Mr. West led by four over Mr. Swindle and R. H. Corner. Mr. West and Mr. Swindle tied and Mr. Corner trailed off when the final returns were in. In his first attempt at municipal honors in Aurora, ex-Warden Harry Corner, a resident of Aurora only a few months, made a creditable showing.

J. F. "Jock" Willis, veteran school trustee, retained the confidence of the electors to return at the head of the polls. Ex-Councilor Howard Bunn, appearing in municipal life after an absence of five years, vied with Mr. Willis for the lead in two wards. D. J. "Dan" Webster, another veteran trustee, led in the other ward and bested Trustee Ed. Warren for the third seat. Mr. Warren fell short by 15 votes. Herbert Stocks, in his initial bid for a seat, polled a heavy vote, even if it didn't make the grade.

Council will be sworn into office on Monday morning by Clerk A. C. Willis. At 11 a.m. the inaugural meeting will take place with members of the clergy, municipal boards, ex-mayors and other dignitaries present. Chief business will be the filling of various municipal boards and the appointment of a striking committee. In the evening council will hold another session and will get down to the routine business of the year.

Ward 1 2 3 4 5 Total

R. Corner 82 54 66 35 32 269

E. Davis 77 117 143 88 69 492

A. N. Fisher 63 81 99 49 54 346

Dr. C. Rose 97 95 121 61 53 427

F. Rowland 60 82 87 50 58 337

R. V. Smith 70 83 124 47 46 367

T. Swindle 40 57 58 63 58 267

W. A. West 46 63 89 63 40 301

Public School Board

H. Bunn 81 94 105 52 36 368

Herb Stocks 53 57 85 48 36 279

E. Warren 58 71 89 81 50 359

D. Webster 65 67 88 71 63 354

J. F. Willis 84 91 98 67 55 394

MRS. ARTHUR ASHTON PRESIDENT FOR 1945

Officers elected for 1945 by the Parochial Guild of Trinity Anglican church are: hon. pres., Miss Eva Lemon; pres., Mrs. Arthur Ashton; 1st vice-pres., Mrs. A. Hazen; 2nd vice-pres., Miss Mamie Lemon; treas., Mrs. Stewart Patrick; sec., Mrs. Thomas Newton; Dorcas, Mrs. W. E. Richardson.

The meeting was held on Dec. 19 at the home of Miss Eva Lemon. The 1944 reports showed excellent results in all activities.

SPEAKS TO RATEPAYERS

Dr. G. A. C. Guntion explained the methods and advantages of the dental inspection and care for public school children at the annual meeting of the ratepayers and the election of village trustees at Mount Albert last week. Those in attendance went on record by a large majority as having the trustees consider the inauguration of this system this year.

MANY ATTEND DANCE

Aurora high school Alumni association held a New Year's dance Friday evening which was well attended. Max Boag's orchestra supplied the music. The school auditorium was appropriately decorated. The guests were received by the committee in charge, President Joan Chalk, Joyce McLeod, Howard Oliver, Alice Clarke, John Crystall, Joan Harrison and Principal and Mrs. J. H. Knowles.

North York Basketball Schedule Announced

The schedule has been released for the North York interscholastic basketball league, which embraces teams from Aurora, Newmarket and Richmond Hill high schools and St. Andrew's and Pickering Colleges. All schools, except Richmond Hill, have both senior and junior entries. Where Richmond Hill is shown in the schedule only a senior game will be played. In all other cases double-headers will be played.

There will be no play-offs unless ties result. C. R. Blackstock, Pickering College, is secretary of the league.

The schedule is as follows: Jan. 11, Aurora vs. S.A.C.; Jan. 12, R. Hill vs. Pickering; Jan. 17, Newmarket vs. R.



# DOWN THE CENTRE

Big doling, are scheduled for tonight at the Newmarket arena as night after night. Teddy Morris and his wavy pucks, who have been carrying away the laurels of the Capt. Bins Caswell and his cohorts for the opening home game in the Toronto Services League. Navy won by the odd goal in nine last time out, 5-4. With only 30 seconds to go, Floyd Curry, ex-star of the Toronto Generals, rattled the rigging behind the net. Unknown to many is the fact that Capt. Caswell, who has played smart hockey all night, suffered a head injury in the last period which detracted from his final stand.

New sweaters have been obtained for the No. 23 team this year so that the name "Redmen" will have to be abandoned and the team carried solely by the Newmarket junior team. The colors are royal blue with orange trim and white numbers and lettering. Just how the color scheme arrived at, we don't know, but we presume it was a matter of getting a new set of sweaters in a hurry and if you've tried that, you will know it's not easy to get the colors you want. The new color combination is attractive and is reminiscent of the sweaters worn in other years by the Aurora junior lacrosse club and East York A.C.

In addition to the players mentioned as available for the Navy team a few weeks ago, Lefty Wilson, Clare Dillon, Gerry Olinick, Red Welch, Floyd Curry, W. Barker, Bill Armstrong, Wally Barker, Ken Grivel, Bob Love, Bert Baker, etc. Three new recruits are ready to go over the boards in the Navy team. One is a former Oshawa Junior, another is a former Oshawa Junior, and the third is a former Oshawa Junior. The Navy team is expected to be in action tonight.

From all that talent you can figure that Billy Taylor and the gang will really have to fly if they hope to take the verdict. As a conditioner, just before the holidays, the Newmarket team visited Midland and defeated Jack Rutherford's Shipbuilders 14-8. Britton, the substitute goalie, was in the nets and is said to have turned in a fair performance. Midland, with the talent available, are not too strong however and that pretty well goes for most civilian clubs, as witness the 18-8 runaway Armored Corps seniors recently scored over Owen Sound Orphans, for years a power in intermediate O.H.A. hockey.

Sympathy is extended to Bep. Guidolin, ex-Boston Bruins star now a member of the Newmarket "Blues", whose father was killed shortly before Christmas in a mine explosion at Timmins where he had been employed for many years. It was a tough break, especially just before the holidays.

During the holidays many of the Newmarket boys took the opportunity of getting in some hockey wherever they were so they came back to camp in fair condition. Bill Doyle, who has played mercantile hockey at Ravina rink, has been added to the Newmarket roster and bolsters the blueline. The Newmarket team will be chosen from Caswell, Britton, Wheeler, Dwyer, Jamieson, Doyle, Callaghan, Avison, McCormick, Taylor, Life, Guidolin, Cavanagh, and Nesbitt, among others. That, definitely, is the best roster a Newmarket camp team has ever had and there are bound to be among the reinforcements turn up among the reinforcements that will be arriving for training from time to time.

Flash Abram, the bespectacled netminder from Brampton Bullets the last two seasons and a newsmaker for Newmarket, was in goal last week for Army Shamrocks. Last we heard of Flash was that he was stationed in the Maritimes but it wouldn't be surprising to see him turn up in the local group though he may have been playing while on leave. He is a low category man.

Miss Emma, one of the young delectables at Aurora, high a few years ago and one of the best girls basketball players we have seen, besides playing smart basketball for the Wrens, is a swimmer of more than ordinary ability and we notice she is being featured in an aquacade being readied for the folks down Halifax way by navy personnel. The "eyes" had it when you take a gander at the advance publicity pic.

Whitley Jones, young Aurora hockey performer, last year with Richmond Hill and counted on by Newmarket juniors this winter, is not likely to do much playing for some weeks. Whitley is troubled with an itch on his hands derived from handling leather at work and while he can get in some skating, his hands need rest. Incidentally, Charlie Rowntree, the Hill coach, first learned of Jones' intention from this column but there need be no worries about getting permission for Jones to play with the Redmen for Charlie sends Whitley his blessings and says "there is wishing him all kinds of luck. He can play real hockey if he puts his mind to it." No charge for securing the release, Jimmy, but better get it in writing. Johnny Sullivan, the good forward of last year's Hill club, is not returning to St. Mike's this month according to Charlie. That means he will be definitely available for the Rowntree lads which comes under the head of "good news" as far as the rotund farmer is concerned. Ray Casador from Woodbridge, while not a flashy player, is working well with Billy Mundell and Sonny Rowntree on one line and Charlie figures he will be a real asset to the team. Mundell is shifting to centre this season, a position better suited for him than the wings.

Howard Jackson, popular district traffic officer, is one fellow not getting enough credit for his work with the kids according to Rowntree. He is a regular father to the kids and especially anxious to bring along home-brews as players. Characteristically enough, Officer Jackson hides his light under a bushel. Step up and take a bow, Howard, for the good work you are doing.

In addition to a junior O.H.A. team, Richmond Hill is represented in the T.H.L. series in both minor-midget and minor-bantam series. Three teams in organized hockey is no mean feat for a place the size of the Hill. The other youngsters

have their own hockey too in a local league.

Sgt. Clair Exelby, who needs no introduction to Newmarket fans where softball or baseball are concerned, has been transferred at his own request (with loss of rank too) from Newmarket to Toronto. "Ex" was the sparkling of that good baseball team which won the Newmarket town league championship on two occasions and could play any position with credit. The same went for softball, except for the mound. An experienced and cagey performer, he spent a lot of time imparting his ball lore to his teammates. Mr. Exelby had to be on his toes to beat him in an argument, his playing suffered somewhat but it was still plenty good. Three years ago he tried his hand at hockey but was already past his prime. His many friends will miss him when another season on the diamond rolls around. He leaves No. 23 with the satisfaction of having given his best and of playing on two armored corps championship teams before departing. Good luck "Ex"!

Newmarket town league hockey is not likely to go to the post unless it gets a sudden shot of adrenalin or sulfa drugs. Sharon and Newmarket camp "scrubs" are definite entries and a third team from the country can be secured. As yet no team from the fellows either in town or factories has been organized. That hardly seems possible with all the fellows we can think of around but it is an actual fact.

After all, the arena was purchased for the folks in Newmarket and it is a community centre and if they won't take advantage of it the proposed night for mercantile hockey can be used for public skating or extras. Without a Newmarket town team in the league, it would lack local appeal and draw poor gates, not that the latter bothered rink officials too much. Fast action could still seem almost a certainty that there will be no Newmarket town league.

With organized hockey non-existent at Aurora except for St. Andrew's College games always played at hours when few townpeople can see them, the hockey-minded public of that town will have to go to Newmarket or Richmond Hill to see junior or senior games.

Boy Thompson, president of the Aurora mercantile league, believes they will be able to see plenty of the "blood and thunder" type hockey and evenly balanced competition, too, right in their own backyard. The league consists of Zephyr, the defending titleholders, led by Ivan Law, and bigger and better than ever, Ballantrae, part of last year's Varsity club, led by the amazing country stalwart, Aurora R.C.O.C., which still has Charlie Case, Herb Farley and others available, and "andorf", under the leadership of the veteran, Harold Botham.

Vandorf will use the sweaters of Aurora Building Co. used last year by the Aurora town team and several Aurora players will line up with them. There is still a possibility that Roy Middlebrook and Collins, the aforementioned four clubs are due to get underway any time now. Herb Holman is secretary of the league with representatives of each club forming the executive. It looks like a good year for the Aurora town leaguers.

Lions club hockey will give the Aurora fans a chance to see teenagers in action but the hours of play are such as to attract only the parents and immediate friends of the players and in any case, it is not a commercial venture. Del Babcock got the league away to a good start last week and the kids are really getting a big kick out of things.

Figure skating has been added to the varied menu provided at Newmarket arena this winter and already over 20 have registered for the classes. We understand a competent instructor is being secured and for six bits the pupils will get two hours of skating and tuition every Saturday afternoon. That definitely comes under the heading of bargain prices. From the personnel for the big skating carnival which Les Beazer has up his sleeve for later in the year, it is a worthwhile project, even if it is a money-maker for the rink and is a definite community project worthy of more than passing support. The matter of obtaining a suitable instructor should not prove too difficult.

Herbie Cain, last year's National Hockey League scoring champion, is keeping a nice steady pace in the scoring race this season but one hardly calculated to gain win honors unless a surprising change occurs. It is not that Cain isn't playing good hockey but that he just isn't getting the breaks. It is Newmarket boy to note that Bill Cowley was out of the line up last time. Herb spent the Christmas vacation at the Bruins at home and more or less took a busman's holiday as he was lured to the Newmarket rink by his old pal, Stan Smith, to give the 1945 junior Redmen two hours valuable tuition on the kids. Needless to say, Herb got a big kick out of things and will doubtless watch the progress of the junior Redmen with interest. Herb has never forgotten that he got his start in hockey in his home town, all the more to his credit.

O.H.A. groupings have been released by secretary, W. A. Hewitt, and once again the effect of war on hockey is plainly seen with a wide drop in teams. Intermediate hockey finds 13 groups but three are one team groups with a bye to the play-offs; five groups have but two teams entered and four are in the nature of city or district mercantile calibre. The South Ontario league which includes Brougham, Uxbridge and Port Perry is one such group. The Richmond Hill and district league which started last week is not entered but will presumably be entered before the semi-finals, as was the case last year. Victory Aircraft, who have a team in this loop, however, have secured one of the byes in the

groups.

Oakwood, Omemee and Lindsay, which used to supply stern opposition to Sutton, are carrying on as usual in one group. Powassan, coached by Regis "Pep" Kelly, has a bye. Midland and Gravenhurst, other opponents of Sutton in other years, form a two-club group. Owen Sound Orphans, who always are contenders, are in a group with Southampton, while such hardy perennials as Point Edward, Windsor Colonials, Seaford, etc., are as usual.

Junior grouping, all class B and C, out because of the war, has 14 groups. Three are city groupings, including the T.H.L. Three teams, Owen Sound, Oshawa and Kingston, have one-club byes and the other groups from three to six in size. St. Andrew's College is entered in the five-club prep school league. There is a four-club Toronto group already underway at Maple Leaf Gardens. Kitchener, Stratford, Brantford and Waterloo form one powerhouse group.

Big surprise is the local groupings and we hasten to assure Jimmy Walker and the Newmarket lads they are quite justified to protest loudly against present arrangements. Here is the picture! Last year there was a five-club district group, which, despite the fact navy was unwisely included, worked to everybody's satisfaction with a minimum of travelling and some fair rate returns.

This year Whitley, juvenile champions of last winter, having lost their stars, Wally Munshaw and Herb Holman, and the Lowe brothers to Oshawa, decided to concentrate on minor hockey, especially since Oshawa was entering a strong junior B team. Port Credit, however, came along with an entry to present about the same travelling problem to the other three clubs, Newmarket, Richmond Hill and Markham. This foursome seemed a natural enough grouping.

Last year Barrie Colts went all season with a bye after failing to get in the local group. This year, with the entry of Gravenhurst and Orillia, they were assured of at least a three-club grouping. The O.H.A. went that one better. They shifted Newmarket into the northern group and left the Hill, Markham and Port Credit to carry on with three clubs.

If it had been a question of an evenly balanced four-club circuit in each group it might perhaps be understood but just why this district group should suffer and the Redmen be inconvenienced with the long trips is hard to understand. Figure it out! The Redmen, if the group stays as it is, will have trips of approximately 35, 60 and 32 miles to Gravenhurst, Orillia and Barrie respectively and this presumably with a double schedule prevailing.

The gasoline situation is bad enough and the present weather indications are that road travelling will be a real problem, aside from the fact that with the possible exception of Barrie, none of the northern clubs will bring supporters with them, nor do they present much of a gate appeal. The Redmen for the most part would have to play for "peanuts" in that company. Look at it in the other group.

Short trips over roads usually open with natural rivalry from Richmond Hill and Markham, especially to build up box office appeal. Port Credit can not be depended upon to either draw well or bring supporters.

Once the grouping was announced, Jim Walker was on the phone to convenors Harland and Robinson, vigorously protesting the whole deal and as we write this, he was still awailing word with the usual starting time for the group at hand.

"I feel like withdrawing the team if we have to play in the north group," says Jimmy and we figure if enough pressure is brought to bear, the original plan will be reversed.

Needless to say, the southern clubs would welcome the Redmen with open arms. At present they are working on the assumption that if there is no change of heart by the O.H.A. the trio will play a triple schedule. We have a hunch the Newmarket plea will be heard sympathetically. Sorry we can't say more for sure at this time. Naturally enough the northern clubs, especially Barrie, will be hoping to see Newmarket in their group. But in hockey, as in love, it is a case of every man for himself and as we see it, the north group is anything but a bed of roses.

Ewart Pinder attended the O.H.A. referee meeting a few weeks ago and the Aurora boy who is again listed as an O.H.A. referee should be kept in mind by some of the district clubs. He has been invited to referee some games in Toronto and will likely do so.

A few weeks ago an odd incident occurred at Windsor when a puck split in two, one half going into the net and the other staying out. Ewart draws to our attention that at the O.H.A. meeting the veteran, Fred Waggoner, who has with the exception of Mike Rodden, probably refereed more games than anyone alive today, recalled a similar incident happening at Belleville over 30 years ago. Fred said the puck split the goal post, split up and down with one half going into the net and the other staying out. He refused to allow the tally. The rules say "puck", not part of the puck and there shouldn't be too much difficulty over the rule. In any case, two incidents in 30 years would not seem sufficient to make it necessary for the hockey solons to amend the rules.

Don't look now but if a something whizzes past you like Superman it's only a slow Patrick getting in shape to do some white-knocking in the Aurora town league. Our thanks to the many who sent us Christmas cards or greetings, especially Charlie Holmes, Stratford, Dave Castilloux, Pte. Ace Yake, Bunny Morganson, Jim Kearney, Vancouver Sun, I. B. Fitzpatrick, Charlie Rowntree, Sgt. Ken Brown, among others.

Inter-school district hockey arranged late in November will get underway next week with six teams entered and formed in two three-team groups. In the south half will play Aurora, St. Andrew's and Richmond Hill. In the north half will play Aurora, St. Andrew's and Newmarket. College Bradford, high, with Pickering College, The Terra finishing first in each group will meet. There are no group play-offs unless a tie for first occurs. There will be no overtime played which means, in case of a tie in regulation time, the points will be

split. The games are being played in the afternoons. Night hockey, due to the pressure of studies, is out. Of course the question of gates doesn't arise so it's material at what hours the games are played so far as the teams are concerned.

Here is the schedule for the south half of the circuit: Jan. 10, Aurora vs. Richmond Hill; Jan. 16, S.A.C. vs. Aurora; Jan. 25, R. Hill vs. S.A.C.; Jan. 30, R. Hill vs. Aurora; Feb. 6, Aurora vs. S.A.C.; Feb. 13, S.A.C. vs. R. Hill.

Billy Hewitt told us on Saturday that the plans of the Newmarket junior club had not gone unannounced and as a related Christmas present, the Redmen were being transferred into the group with Richmond Hill, Markham and Port Credit, to the satisfaction of all but, possibly, one. We saw the minutes of the special meeting of the executive of the O.H.A. and we noted the following, which speaks for itself.

Mervin personnel: "The committee reaffirmed its decision to permit the Aurora players to participate with civilian teams." Perhaps that won't start the year right for some of the clubs but in any case it's a definite ruling by the O.H.A. Bull Bed.

**SNOWBALL**  
(Dec. 28)

Mr. and Mrs. Owen Barr and Margaret Rose were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Cull, Newmarket.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Haines were Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Kay, Pine Orchard.

Albert Barr and Mr. and Mrs. Owen Barr and Margaret Rose spent Christmas day with Mr. and Mrs. Marritt, Keswick.

Miss Hazel Webb spent Christmas day with relatives in Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. James Morning, Aurora, were Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Morning and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Ridley held a family reunion at their home on Christmas day.

Mr. and Mrs. John Morning joined their family in Toronto for Christmas celebrations.

Allan Mills, Brampton, spent Christmas day at his home here.

Austin Oliver, Toronto, was a guest at the Mills' home.

Howard Haines spent Christmas with his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Cull, Newmarket.

Miss Emma Haines, Toronto, is spending a few days' holidays with her sister, Mrs. Owen Barr.

The December meeting of the Snowball Women's Institute was held Thursday afternoon. It was found necessary to postpone this meeting for the week. The meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Wm. Davidson at Davis Corners.

Miss Mary Mills spent last week in Toronto with Mrs. Vernon Christian and Vernon.

Word has been received from Pte. Bill Harrison and Pte. C. D. Little, who are in Italy, and from Sgt. George E. Jasper in Holland that their Christmas supply box and chocolates, donated by the Snowball Women's Institute, have arrived safely and were much appreciated.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Haines spent Christmas day with Mr. and Mrs. Westlake at Bolton.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Haines and Charlene, Toronto, spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Haines.

Ralph Goodwin spent Christmas with friends in Streetsville.

Michael McMorris is spending his Christmas holidays with relatives in Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Cutting were Christmas day guests of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford White and family.

Leonard White had the end taken off his thumb while he was using the axe one day last week and is still under the doctor's care.

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a couple of weeks with friends at Guelph.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Shaw, Mr. J. R. Meyers and Miss Thelma Meyers spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Aylmer Meyers and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Peers and family, Udonia, and Miss Dorothy Baldwin, Ottawa, spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. B. Kendall and Mr. H. Pickering.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Rynard left on Tuesday for Toronto and then, to Stamford to spend Christmas.

Miss Eva Lockie spent a few days with Miss Jessie Lockie.

Miss Emma Cain and Miss Daisy Graham spent the weekend with their parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas and Bruce spent Christmas in Newmarket with Mrs. Thomas' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hart.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Pickering and family, Mr. and Mrs. Chesley Lunney spent Christmas in Newmarket with Mr. and Mrs. W. Dunn and family.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Profit and family and Mr. and Mrs. W. Bibby spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Rynard.

Mr. and Mrs. Austin Cain and Rodney and Mrs. Violet Cullingham spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. T. Cain.

Miss Blanche Clark and Mr. Ivan Clark of Toronto spent the weekend at their home.

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Armstrong and Betty spent Christmas in Uxbridge with Mrs. Harman and Iva.

Mr. and Mrs. N. Horner, Laura and Reta, spent Christmas at Baldwin with her mother, Mrs. T. Coomer.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Bamford and David, Miss Muriel Bamford, Mr. Bob Bamford, Mr. and Mrs. Thompson and Kay spent the weekend with Rev. and Mrs. A. F. Bamford.

Miss Marion McNelly spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Fred Walker and family.

Misses Grace and Marguerite Lockie and Mr. John Hunter spent the weekend with Mrs. J. H. Lockie.

Mrs. Faye Thompson and June spent a few days with Mrs. J. Doak and Mr. and Mrs. J. Doak, Jr., and family.

Mr. and Mrs. O. Silversides and Beth spent Christmas in Bowmanville with Mr. and Mrs. Harold Ferguson and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Armstrong spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Byron Armstrong and Mona.

Mr. and Mrs. H. McKeown, Mr. and Mrs. J. Kearns, Dorothy and Earl, Toronto, spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. T. Meyers and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Law and Mary Ellen spent Christmas at Brooklin with Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Arnold and family.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Midgley and family spent Christmas with Mrs. Midgley's sisters and mother at Brooklin.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Crowle, Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Arnold and Clarkson, spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. G. Burnham at Mount Albert.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Lockie and family, Miss Eva Lockie, Miss Jessie Lockie, Harold and Orville Lockwood spent Christmas evening with Mr. and Mrs. F. Thompson and family.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Smith spent Christmas Day with Mr. and Mrs. T. Corbett and family.

Mrs. E. Hewitt spent a few days in Toronto last week.

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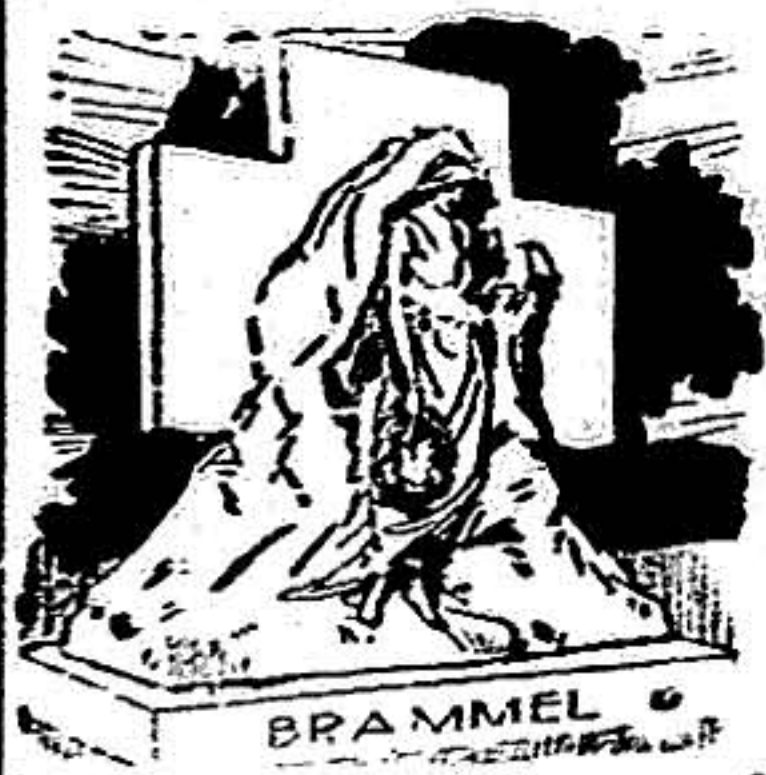
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## MOUNT ALBERT

The annual school meeting was  
 held on Wednesday evening in  
 the continuation school with 29  
 present. After reports had been  
 received Dr. G. A. C. Gunton,  
 Aurora, explained the dental  
 clinic for the schools and after  
 some discussion, it was voted to  
 have it in the public school.

Mr. Jas. Slorach was the retir-  
 ing trustee and Mrs. G. W. Mac-  
 pherson was elected for three  
 years. Mrs. Steeper was ap-  
 pointed a delegate to the Ontario  
 education convention.

Mrs. Bruce Rolling entertained  
 a number of ladies with Five  
 Hundred on Thursday evening.  
 The proceeds, which amounted to  
 \$5, were given to the public  
 library.

Mrs. B. Stiver was the lucky  
 prize-winner.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Judson Rutledge  
 have moved into the house at  
 the telephone exchange.

The choir of the United church  
 held a very pleasant social eve-  
 ning and exchanged gifts at the  
 home of Mrs. H. Price on Friday  
 night.

The Cheerio club meets Satur-  
 day night at the home of Mrs.  
 Allen Hopkins. Officers will be  
 elected.

Mrs. Cain, Mrs. Fern Palma-  
 teer and John Lundy spent the  
 holiday with Mr. and Mrs. S.  
 Cain at Sutton.

Miss Isobel McIntosh of Tor-  
 onto spent New Year's Day with  
 Miss M. Dike.

Mrs. H. Price spent New Year's  
 weekend in Toronto with her  
 son, F.O. Arthur Davison, and  
 Mrs. Davison.

Master Ray Leadbetter fell on  
 the ice while skating last week  
 and fractured his right arm.

The rink is in full swing now  
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 Simpson and you can skate free  
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considering the depth of snow  
 on them. Some country roads  
 are blocked entirely and may be  
 until spring.

A very happy reunion was  
 held at the home of Mr. Frank  
 Thompson of Mount Albert  
 when the family gathered at  
 Christmas time. The group,  
 totalling 25, spent a pleasant  
 time visiting and singing carols,  
 and partaking of the usual  
 Christmas good things. The  
 toast by Murray Varney, who  
 is a late addition to the annual  
 gathering, was much enjoyed.

## KESWICK

(Dec. 28)

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Grant and  
 Mr. and Mrs. Ross Styles and  
 family of Mount Pleasant were  
 guests of Mr. and Mrs. Walker  
 Rieger at a Christmas dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Davison  
 motored to Toronto on Sunday  
 and spent Christmas at Mr. and  
 Mrs. A. Felton's.

Mr. and Mrs. Ferg. Taylor and  
 two children were Sunday guests  
 of Rev. and Mrs. R. W. Serrick.

Rev. and Mrs. G. H. Bache  
 and family of Newmarket were  
 guests on Tuesday of the Misses  
 Bache.

A few fishermen and skaters  
 were noticed making their way  
 to the lake. Fish are reported  
 scarce as yet.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Wright were  
 Christmas guests of Mr. and  
 Mrs. Fred Glover, Newmarket.

Miss Jean Peel and a friend  
 of Toronto were at Mr. and  
 Mrs. Fred Peel's for Christmas.

Rev. and Mrs. R. W. Serrick  
 and two daughters spent Christ-  
 mas with Mrs. Serrick's parents  
 in Ringwood.

## VANDORF

(Dec. 28)

Miss Ruth Oliver, Toronto,  
 spent a week at Christmas with  
 her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jas.  
 Oliver.

Miss Grace Matheson, Toron-  
 to, was Miss Ruth Oliver's  
 guest from Sunday until Tues-  
 day night.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Oliver,  
 Mr. and Mrs. Fred Allin, Shir-  
 ley and Murray, spent Christ-  
 mas with Mr. and Mrs. Percy  
 Allin, Aurora.

Miss Lottie Atkinson, Aurora,  
 spent the holiday and weekend  
 with Mr. and Mrs. Roy Morley.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Pogue  
 and Martha Ann were in Strat-  
 ford for the Christmas holidays.

Christmas guests at the home  
 of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Switzer  
 were Mr. and Mrs. Clifford  
 King, Marilyn, Florence and  
 Samuel, of Scotland, and Misses  
 Jean and Audrey Switzer, Toron-  
 to.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Staley  
 and daughter of Toronto and  
 Mr. and Mrs. Robert Mannen  
 and daughter of Mount Forest  
 were with Mrs. Staley and fam-  
 ily for the Christmas weekend.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Roland  
 Scott for Christmas were Mr.  
 and Mrs. Chester Graham and  
 children of Ringwood. Miss  
 Lydia Scott, Mr. Lawrence Play-  
 ter and Mr. Sam Jenkins, Toron-  
 to, and Mr. and Mrs. James  
 Gibson and family of Bethesda.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Dew-  
 bury, Miss Doris Dewbury, Tpr.  
 and Mrs. George Dewbury and  
 Susan were Christmas guests of  
 Mr. and Mrs. Robert Brown and  
 Mrs. A. G. Snider.

Miss Mary Babcock is spend-  
 ing her holidays with her grand-  
 parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. A.  
 Switzer.

Mrs. Jennie Loveless, Mark-  
 ham, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. H.  
 A. White and family.

Mrs. E. A. Cale and Miss Pearl  
 Cale were Christmas guests of  
 Cpl. and Mrs. Arthur van Nos-  
 trad and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Pattenden,  
 Mr. and Mrs. Percy Pattenden  
 and family, Mr. and Mrs. Nor-  
 man Steckley and children and  
 Mr. Clarence Foote were Christ-  
 mas guests of Mr. and Mrs. Alf  
 Pattenden and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Mor-  
 ton and children of Oakwood  
 spent Christmas with Mrs. Mor-  
 ton's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl  
 Foster.

Miss Alda Carr is visiting her  
 parents, Mr. and Mrs. Loy Carr,  
 Geraldton, before going on to  
 Winnipeg to live.

## SHARON

(Dec. 28)

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Glover enter-  
 tained 20 guests for Christmas Din-  
 ner. The two tables were centred  
 with poinsettias and red streamers.  
 A hamcock was presented to Mr. and  
 Mrs. Glover.

A wire was received by Mrs. Min-  
 nie Arnold from her son, Sgm.  
 Erwin Arnold, New Westminster,  
 B.C., extending Christmas wishes.

The December shipment from  
 the East Gwillimbury branch of  
 the Canadian Red Cross sent to  
 headquarters consisted of: 38  
 prs. laparotomy stockings; 47  
 cautery mitts; 15 prs. men's  
 pyjamas; three girls' blouses;  
 three girls' pinafore dresses; 11  
 infants' nightgowns; one baby's  
 bonnet; one pr. baby's booties;  
 24 quilts; eight turtle-neck  
 sweaters; ten prs. service socks;  
 19 prs. air force gloves.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Dutton enter-  
 tained Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Speck  
 and family and Mr. and Mrs. Birch,  
 Toronto, and Mr. and Mrs. A. D.  
 Lugos on New Year's Day.

Miss Bessie Evans, Orillia, Mr.  
 and Mrs. Andy Quarry and son,  
 Guelph, Mr. Tom Webb and Miss  
 Marion Webb, Cookstown, and  
 Mrs. E. J. Chapman, Toronto,  
 spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs.  
 M. Evans.

Master Bobby Hall, Toronto,  
 returned home with his grandparents,  
 Mr. and Mrs. E. Lundy, after Christ-  
 mas and has spent his vacation at  
 their home here.

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 Sedore at Keswick.

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## BIRTHDAY CLUB

Birthday wishes are extended  
 this week to:

**Alan Duncan, Newmarket,**  
 nine years old on Wednesday,  
 Jan. 3.

**Gracie Marie Stevenson, Au-  
 rora,** seven years old on Wed-  
 nesday, Jan. 3.

**Franklin Lehman, Pine Or-  
 chard,** 12 years old on Friday,  
 Jan. 5.

**Joan Barbara Simpkin, Hol-  
 land Landing,** 16 years old on  
 Saturday, Jan. 6.

**Ivan Howard Bray, Newmar-  
 ket,** 12 years old on Saturday,  
 Jan. 6.

**Ralph Donald Bray, Newmar-  
 ket,** five years old on Saturday,  
 Jan. 6.

**Donnie Larsen, Newmarket,**  
 seven years old on Saturday,  
 Jan. 6.

Send in your name, age and  
 birthday and become a member  
 of The Era and Express Birth-  
 day club.

EAST GWILLIMBURY  
Last Council Meeting

(Dec. 28)  
 The East Gwillimbury council held  
 its last meeting of the year on  
 Dec. 15 at Sharon Hall.

The members were all present.  
 The treasurer was given authority  
 to pay the equipment grant to the  
 schools if the grant should come  
 before Jan. 1.

A resolution was passed to pay the  
 township general school grant on  
 March 1.

The following accounts were  
 passed for payment: Excise stamps,  
 \$150; F. Ramsay, refund dog tax,  
 \$2; C. D. Vernon, stamps, \$3.49;

Wes Theaker, indigent supplies,  
 \$2.50; Smith's Hardware, nails,  
 \$1.25; Joe Clark, sheep claim, \$34;  
 H. Crouch, sheep valuator, \$3.50;

H. Crouch, labor on hall, \$14.40;  
 County of York, levy, \$14,451.22;  
 registrations, \$24.75; Wm. Shilling-  
 law, wolf bounty, \$10; Fred King,  
 compensation, \$65; Byron Silver,  
 reeve, \$125; George Pearson, coun-  
 cillor, \$135; Alan Shaw, councillor,  
 \$125; Kenneth Ross, councillor,  
 \$125; refund to Mount Albert on  
 constable's salary, \$58.80.

Road accounts: King townline  
 settlement, \$142.44; Scott townline  
 settlement, \$15; repairs, \$75.41; ex-  
 penses, \$10.40; cement, \$94.24; sup-  
 plies, \$15.61; salt, \$10.15; snow fence,  
 \$2; fence bonus, \$10.15; chains and  
 oil, \$19.52; labor pay list, \$178.10.

The treasurer was instructed to  
 pay the school trustee levy amount-  
 ing to \$13,971.91.

**POTTAGEVILLE**  
 (Dec. 28)

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Paton and  
 family of Toronto, Mr. and Mrs.  
 Charles Bunn, Newmarket, and  
 Mr. and Mrs. Del Paton, Aurora, called  
 on Mr. and Mrs. Elias Paton on  
 Sunday.

Master Billy Hughes, Kleinburg,  
 spent the weekend with Mr. and  
 Mrs. John Archibald.

Mr. and Mrs. Leland Paton called  
 on Mr. and Mrs. Adrian Hill on  
 Sunday.

Miss Margaret Rose, Thistletown  
 hospital, spent the weekend and  
 Christmas with her parents, Mr.  
 and Mrs. Robert Rose.

Mr. and Mrs. George West and  
 girls spent the weekend and Christ-  
 mas with their son, Fred West,  
 Brownsville.

Miss Hattie Cutting, Toronto,  
 spent the weekend and Christmas  
 with her mother, Mrs. John Cutting.

Mr. and Mrs. George Wilder and  
 family spent Christmas with Mrs.  
 Wilder's parents, Mr. and Mrs.  
 Silas Groombridge.

Mr. and Mrs. George Smith,  
 Springdale, spent Christmas with  
 Mrs. Smith's parents, Mr. and Mrs.  
 A. A. Archibald.

Mr. and Mrs. Elias Paton and  
 son, Bill, spent Christmas with  
 Mr. Dick Williams, near Stran-  
 ger.

Frederic Stinson spent Christmas  
 with friends in Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. Arnold and family  
 spent Christmas with Mrs. Arnold's  
 parents on the 11th concession.

**QUEENSVILLE**  
 (Dec. 28)

Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Bartholo-  
 mew, Stouffville, and Mr. and  
 Mrs. Gordon Bartholomew, Oak-  
 ville, were weekend guests of  
 Mr. and Mrs. Bert Boyd, Queens-  
 ville.

Mrs. John D. Moore celebrated  
 her 81st birthday last week.

**HOLLAND LANDING**  
 The Holland Landing village  
 trustees will remain the same as  
 last year. Sam Deans, Fred West  
 and Art Foster were acclaimed  
 school trustees. G. B. Thompson  
 and John Kitching are remaining  
 on the board while Jack Foster re-  
 placed Alex. Stephenson.

Guests at the home of Mr. and  
 Mrs. S. R. Goodwin over the Christ-  
 mas holidays included Mr. and Mrs.  
 Malcolm Nalmsmith, Mr. and Mrs. A.  
 Cameron and family, Mr. and Mrs.  
 Jas. Morris, Toronto, Mr. and Mrs.  
 Jack Tate, Sutton, and Mr. and  
 Mrs. Reynolds Goodwin and son,  
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SOME WORDS OF ADVICE



Bing cautions Barry not to use the telephone in *Going My Way*, showing at the Strand theatre Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. The cantankerous but lovable Father Fitzgibbon is played by Fitzgerald while Bing is cast as Father "Chuck" O'Malley, a priest whose generosity wins the hearts of every soul in the neighborhood. Rise Stevens, star of the Metropolitan Opera, sings along with Bing in a grand selection of hit songs.

KESWICK

Mail and bus service were both delayed on Tuesday owing to the heavy drifts.

Clive Kershaw of the west has purchased Harry Leppard's store, formerly owned by Dan McGenerty. Mrs. Kershaw, Sr., and daughter will also make their home here.

Mrs. George Hillaby, Sr., spent the Christmas season with her brother in Agincourt.

Mr. and Mrs. Byron King and Wayne, Toronto, spent New Year's Day at Mr. and Mrs. Jim Wright's. Dan McGenerty has purchased the home of Miss Edith Morton, where they have been living for the past few months.

Pte. Vernon Rye and Pte. Ken Peters were both at home for the Christmas season.

The Women's Missionary society of the United church will meet on Thursday afternoon, Jan. 11, at the home of Mrs. J. E. Baines.

Guests during the Christmas season at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Grant were Misses Helen Stiles, Ruth Stiles, Ruth Denne and Ruby Rye.

Gordon Brown of the Canadian army, who is stationed at Hamilton, visited his aunt, the Misses Marritts and Mrs. VanNorman during the Christmas vacation. Gordon Brown is the son of Roscoe Brown, British Columbia.

Lieut. T. Johnson of the R.C.N.V.R. visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Baines during the Christmas holiday.

Miss Joan Baines spent Christmas at home, accompanied by her friend, Miss Pearl Yacke.

Misses Margaret and Joan Peel were home for Christmas.

SUTTON

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Pegg, West Hill, Mr. and Mrs. Myron Spaulding, Newmarket, and Mr. and Mrs. Morley Pegg, Sutton, West, spent Christmas Day with Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Pegg, Sutton West.

QUEENSVILLE

The passing of the old year and the coming of the new year was observed at watch night services by members of the Baptist congregation and the Y.P.U. of the United church.

The Young People's meeting at 11 o'clock took the form of a candle-light service, at which more letters from the boys overseas, who had received Christmas parcels, were read. Miss Audrey Eves has been appointed president of the society, and will take charge of the work. Miss Gladys Dew is the past president.

The January meeting of the Women's Association has been postponed until Tuesday afternoon, Jan. 9.

Owing to the storm that raged all New Year's Day, many who left their firesides to join friends had difficulty in returning home over drifted roads.

Mrs. Rolling is spending a week with her daughter, Mrs. Lunnau, Mount Albert.

Mrs. Art Milne has returned to her school in North Cobalt.

Messrs. Lew Irwin, Angus Smith and Don Smith have been appointed village trustees for 1945.

Norman Gibney has been appointed caretaker of the public school. He replaces Mr. Foster, who has retired.

Mr. and Mrs. K. R. Arnold and Mr. and Mrs. Noble Wright and family of Aurora also Mr. K.C. Carley and a lady friend of Toronto had New Year's dinner at Wm. Wright's.

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(Herman Hillen)

PUBLIC HEALTH REPORT

The following report for November was submitted by Miss Jessie Smith, Reg. N., public health nurse, to the Board of Health:

First-aid dressings, five; rapid class room inspections for detection of communicable diseases, five; complete physical inspections, 183; number of children with suspected defects exclusive of dental, 20; four suspected defective vision, 13 of abnormal tonsils, three of defective nasal breathing;

Number of children with suspected dental defects, 46, corrected nine; two children secured glasses during the month; one child had tonsils removed during the month;

Exclusions; acute communicable diseases, four; skin conditions, two; nits, two;

Home visiting; infant, 19; pre-school, eight; school, 94; not home or not found, 11; promotion of work, eight.

Communicable disease: separate school, two, one child returned to school; public schools, five, returned to school. These children belonged to one family. At the present time there is only one case of communicable disease in schools, chicken pox.

School attendance has been good during the month of November.

L-CPL JAS. FOUNTAIN, SHARON, DIES IN ITALY

L.-Cpl. James "Jim" Fountain, son of Mr. Wilfred Fountain, Sharon, and the late Mrs. Fountain, was killed in action in Italy on Dec. 20.

L.-Cpl. Fountain was in his 22nd year and was with the Irish Regiment of Canada. Besides his father he leaves to mourn his loss one brother, Herbert Rossval "Ross" and two sisters, Mrs. Everton Pegg (Vera), Sharon, and Mrs. Wm. Mackie (Ethel), Toronto.

Welcome Home Banquet Given Soldiers, Brides

A "welcome home" banquet was given to Newmarket boys returned from overseas and for English war brides on Thursday evening of last week by the Newmarket Women's Institute. Members of the town council and veterans of the last war were also guests.

Mrs. Frank Hope was toastmistress and Rev. Henry Cotton gave an address of welcome to the boys. Capt. A. N. Healey, padre at the Newmarket camp, was guest speaker of the evening.

The "boys" were given a package of cigarettes by the Women's Institute and the war brides a bottle of perfume. The town presented the returned men with a season's pass to the arena.

WILL MEET JAN. 9

The regular meeting of the Evangeline Auxiliary of the W.M.S. of Trinity United church will be held in the Sunday-school room on Tuesday, Jan. 9, at 8 p.m. All are asked to please try and attend this opening meeting of the New Year.

COMPLETES RECORD

The Jersey cow, Sybil Smilax Lady, of SSF-109516, owned by Mrs. Alice Hawkes Robinson, Newmarket, has completed a senior four-year-old record of 8,716 lbs. of milk, 547 lbs. of fat, with an average test of 6.28 percent in 365 days.

Smilax Lady was bred in New York state and brought to Canada by Mrs. Robinson a few years ago.

FRIENDS MEETING HOUSE

Scott Montgomery, Canadian General Secretary of the "Save The Children" organization, will speak in the Friends Meeting House Sunday, Jan. 7, at 11 a.m.

A cordial invitation is extended to all interested in this cause.

The Era and Express office is open Saturday afternoon from 2 to 4 o'clock during the winter months.

NEW O.F.A. PRESIDENT



Kenneth Betzner, Waterloo farmer, was elected president of the Ontario Federation of Agriculture at the annual convention in Toronto recently. Mr. Betzner represents the federation on the board that has been set up under the municipal health act.

GROUP NO. 9

JUNIOR B 1945 SCHEDULE

Friday, Jan. 5

Newmarket at Richmond Hill

Monday, Jan. 8

Markham at Newmarket

Friday, Jan. 12

Newmarket at Markham

Monday, Jan. 15

Richmond Hill at Newmarket

Friday, Jan. 19

Newmarket at Port Credit

Monday, Jan. 22

Port Credit at Newmarket

Monday, Jan. 29

Richmond Hill at Newmarket

Friday, Feb. 2

Newmarket at Markham

Monday, Feb. 5

Markham at Newmarket

Friday, Feb. 9

Newmarket at Port Credit

Monday, Feb. 12

Port Credit at Newmarket

Friday, Feb. 16

Newmarket at Richmond Hill

Port Credit will play their home games at Oakville.

KESWICK

Pte. Sherman Sedore, Debert, N.S., is spending New Year's leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Sedore.

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